



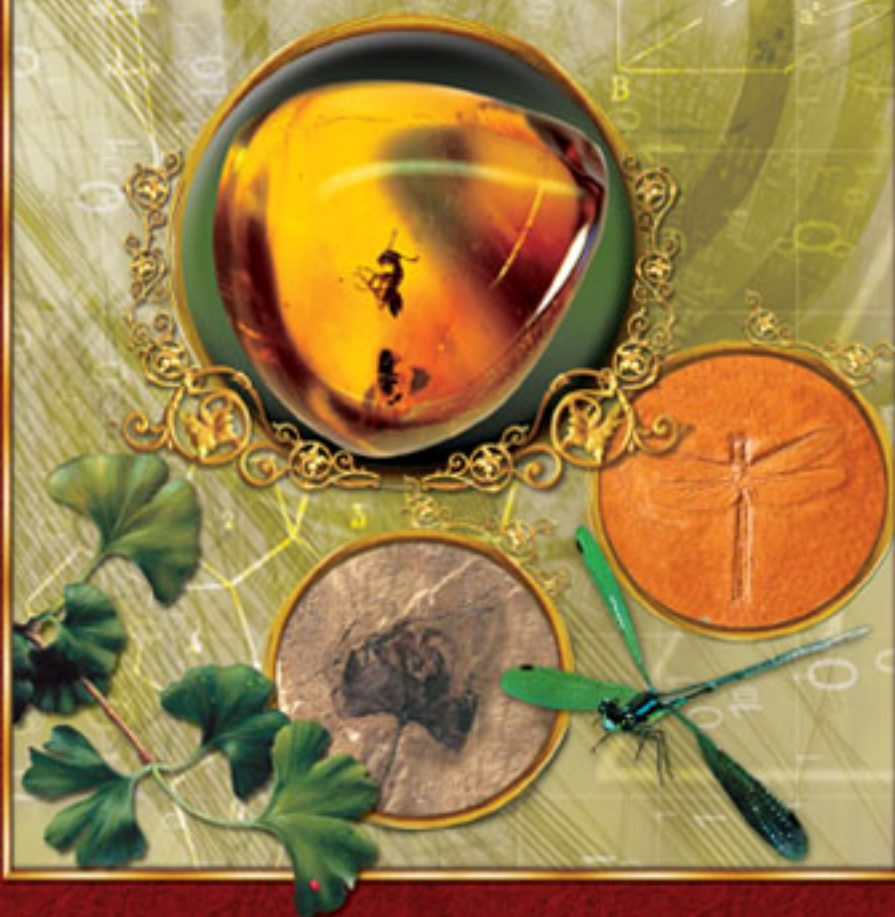
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How Fossils Overturned Evolution

Millions of Proofs that Refute Darwinism

Were We exhausted by the first creation? Yet they are dubious about the new creation. We created man and We know what his own self whispers to him. We are nearer to him than his jugular vein.

(Qur'an, 50:15-16)



Bees, grasshoppers, mosquitoes, flies, midges—everyone is familiar with these and many other insect species. These tiny creatures that you frequently encounter have remained unchanged for at least 200 million years. Evolutionists claim that they must have turned into strange and unusual life forms during the imaginary evolutionary process. Yet this never happened, and living fossils are clear proof of this.

Had this actually happened—if the fossil record everywhere were full of intermediate forms . . . Had these living fossils continued their development, as evolutionists maintain, then those evolutionists would have published books full of the evidence for this. Yet they are silent in the face of the fact that all these millions of pieces of evidence represent not evolution, but creation. In this book, you will read only a few of the millions of irrefutable proofs of this, which Darwinists stubbornly continue to ignore. In the future, people will be amazed at their fanatical support, and illogical attempts to account for the origin of life. In this book, you can now discover for yourself the evidence that refutes Darwin's theory, once and for all.

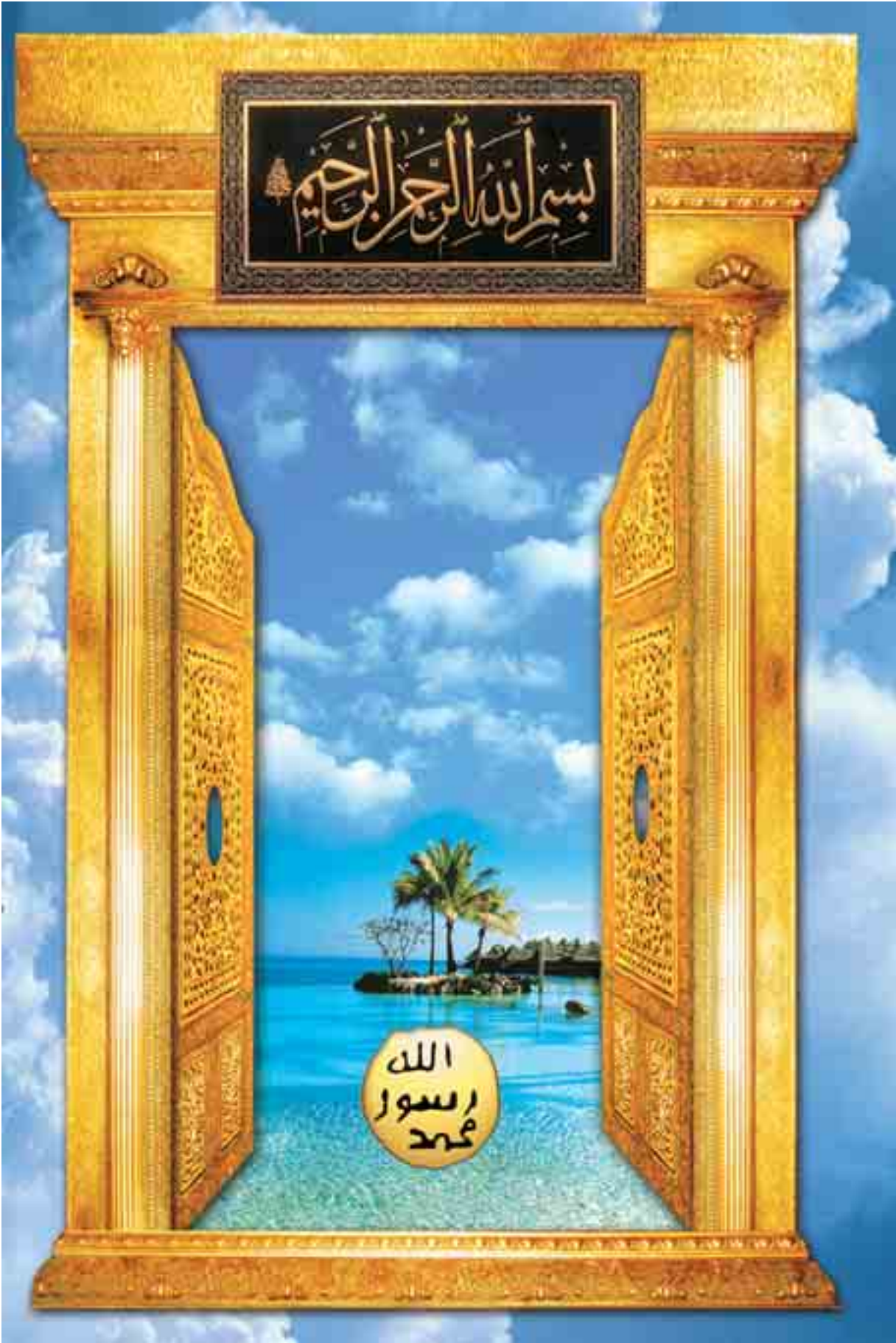


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Harun Yahya's works, translated into 41 different languages, constitute a collection for a total of more than 45,000 pages with 30,000 illustrations.

His pen-name is a composite of the names Harun (Aaron) and Yahya (John), in memory of the two esteemed Prophets who fought against their peoples' lack of faith. The Prophet's seal on his books' covers is symbolic and is linked to their contents. It represents the Qur'an (the Final Scripture) and Prophet Muhammad (may God bless him and grant him peace), last of the prophets. Under the guidance of the Qur'an and the Sunnah (teachings of the Prophet [may God bless him and grant him peace]), the author makes it his purpose to disprove each fundamental tenet of godless ideologies and to have the "last word," so as to completely silence the objections raised against religion. He uses the seal of the final Prophet (may God bless him and grant him peace), who attained ultimate wisdom and moral perfection, as a sign of his intention to offer the last word.

All of Harun Yahya's works share one single goal: to convey the Qur'an's message, encourage readers to consider basic faith-related issues such as God's existence and unity and the Hereafter; and to expose godless systems' feeble foundations and perverted ideologies.

Harun Yahya enjoys a wide readership in many countries, from India to America,

England to Indonesia, Poland to Bosnia, Spain to

Brazil, Malaysia to Italy, France to Bulgaria and

Russia. Some of his books are available in

English, French, German, Spanish, Italian,

Portuguese, Urdu, Arabic, Albanian, Chinese,

Swahili, Hausa, Dhivehi (spoken in Mauritius),

Russian, Serbo-Croat (Bosnian), Polish, Malay,

Uygur Turkish, Indonesian, Bengali, Danish and

Swedish.



Greatly appreciated all around the world, these works have been instrumental in many people recovering faith in God and gaining deeper insights into their faith. His books' wisdom and sincerity, together with a distinct style that's easy to understand, directly affect anyone who reads them. Those who seriously consider these books, can no longer advocate atheism or any other perverted ideology or materialistic philosophy, since these books are characterized by rapid effectiveness, definite results, and irrefutability. Even if they continue to do so, it will be only a sentimental insistence, since these books refute such ideologies from their very foundations. All contemporary movements of denial are now ideologically defeated, thanks to the books written by Harun Yahya.

This is no doubt a result of the Qur'an's wisdom and lucidity. The author modestly intends to serve as a means in humanity's search for God's right path. No material gain is sought in the publication of these works.

Those who encourage others to read these books, to open their minds and hearts and guide them to become more devoted servants of God, render an invaluable service.

Meanwhile, it would only be a waste of time and energy to propagate other books that create confusion in people's minds, lead them into ideological chaos, and that clearly have no strong and precise effects in removing the doubts in people's hearts, as also verified from previous experience. It is impossible for books devised to emphasize the author's literary power rather than the noble goal of saving people from loss of faith, to have such a great effect. Those who doubt this can readily see that the sole aim of Harun Yahya's books is to overcome disbelief and to disseminate the Qur'an's moral values. The success and impact of this service are manifested in the readers' conviction.

One point should be kept in mind: The main reason for the continuing cruelty, conflict, and other ordeals endured by the vast majority of people is the ideological prevalence of disbelief. This can be ended only with the ideological defeat of disbelief and by conveying the wonders of creation and Qur'anic morality so that people can live by it. Considering the state of the world today, leading into a downward spiral of violence, corruption and conflict, clearly this service must be provided speedily and effectively, or it may be too late.

In this effort, the books of Harun Yahya assume a leading role. By the will of God, these books will be a means through which people in the twenty-first century will attain the peace, justice, and happiness promised in the Qur'an.



To the reader

A special chapter is assigned to the collapse of the theory of evolution because this theory constitutes the basis of all anti-spiritual philosophies. Since Darwinism rejects the fact of creation—and therefore, God's existence—over the last 140 years it has caused many people to abandon their faith or fall into doubt. It is therefore an imperative service, a very important duty to show everyone that this theory is a deception. Since some readers may find the chance to read only one of our books, we think it appropriate to devote a chapter to summarize this subject.

All the author's books explain faith-related issues in light of Qur'anic verses, and invite readers to learn God's words and to live by them. All the subjects concerning God's verses are explained so as to leave no doubt or room for questions in the reader's mind. The books' sincere, plain, and fluent style ensures that everyone of every age and from every social group can easily understand them. Thanks to their effective, lucid narrative, they can be read at one sitting. Even those who rigorously reject spirituality are influenced by the facts these books document and cannot refute the truthfulness of their contents.

This and all the other books by the author can be read individually, or discussed in a group. Readers eager to profit from the books will find discussion very useful, letting them relate their reflections and experiences to one another.

In addition, it will be a great service to Islam to contribute to the publication and reading of these books, written solely for the pleasure of God. The author's books are all extremely convincing. For this reason, to communicate true religion to others, one of the most effective methods is encouraging them to read these books.

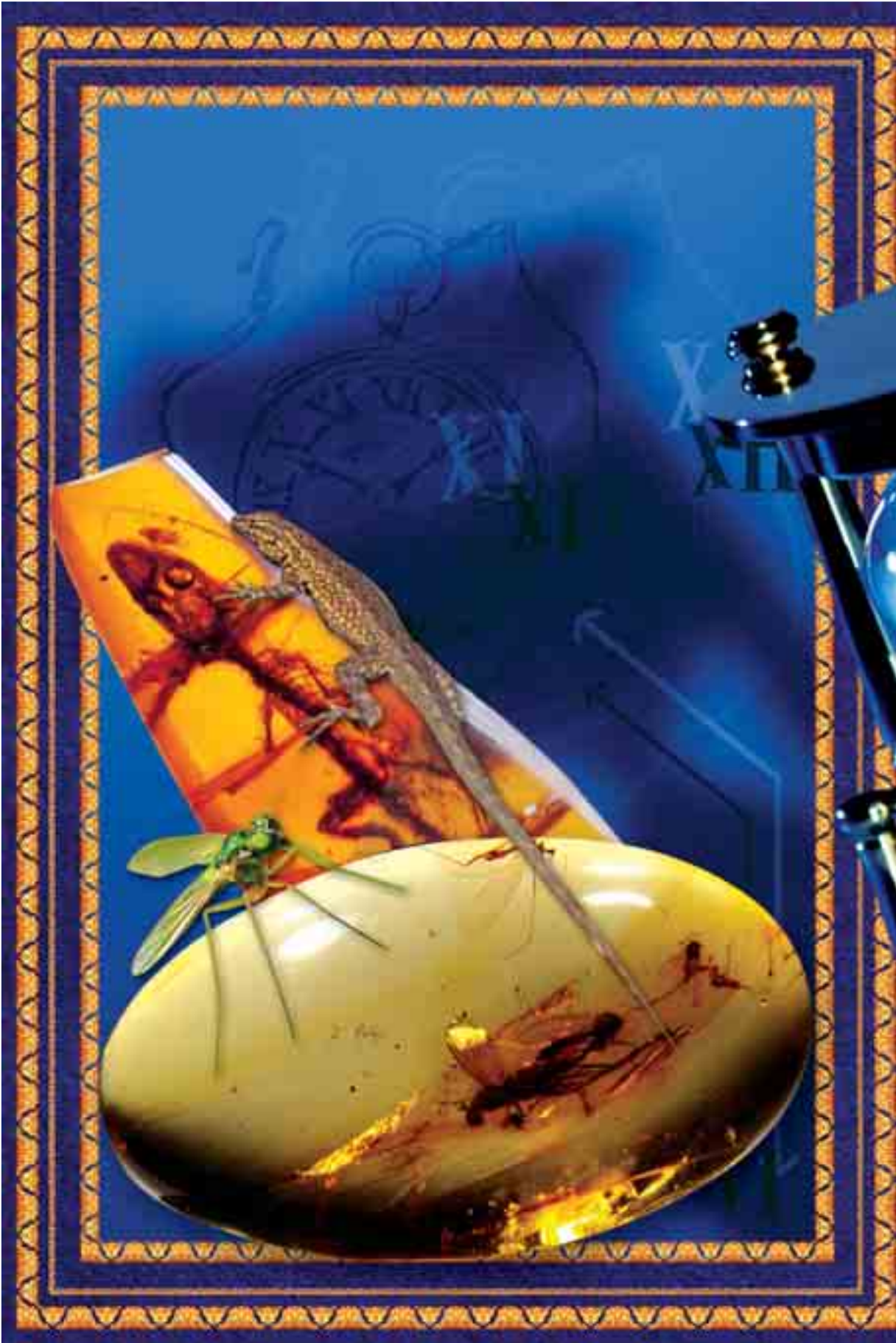
We hope the reader will look through the reviews of his other books at the back of this book. His rich source material on faith-related issues is very useful, and a pleasure to read.

In these books, unlike some other books, you will not find the author's personal views, explanations based on dubious sources, styles that are unobservant of the respect and reverence due to sacred subjects, nor hopeless, pessimistic arguments that create doubts in the mind and deviations in the heart.

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An hourglass with white sand is the central focus, set against a blue background. The hourglass is supported by a gold-colored metal frame. The top bulb is partially filled with white sand, while the bottom bulb is mostly empty. The background features a faint, circular seal or emblem. The entire scene is framed by a decorative gold border with a repeating pattern.

Introduction

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A fossil is the remains or traces of a plant or animal that have been preserved in the Earth's crust down to the present day. Fossils collected from all over the world are our most important source of information about the species that have existed on Earth since life began.

The skeletons of living things whose contact with the air was suddenly interrupted have come down, often perfectly preserved, to the present day. Research into these fossils permits us to learn increasingly detailed information about extinct animals or plants. Most basically, this information also tells us about which living things existed during which period.

For evolutionists, fossil specimens, often hundreds of millions of years old, are all tools they can use in line with their own theories. Evolutionists take a fossil, link it arbitrarily to some present-day species, and then claim that the fossil is the ancestor of the living organism in question. Upon this premise, they then construct dramatic and detailed scenarios. If the fossil in question is a fish, for example, they claim on the basis of a few bones that it possesses primitive features, newly developing organs and limbs in the process of undergoing a transition to a "higher" life form. They write books about the creature, hold conferences, and exhibit it as the intermediate form or "missing link" they have been seeking for so long.

That is, until they find themselves looking at a living specimen of this supposedly extinct creature!

When a living thing emerges in the same form it was known to have existed in millions of years ago, it of course demolishes all the evolutionist fables told about it. Its simple presence demonstrates that a living organism that—according to Darwinists' claims—should have undergone considerable evolution after the course of millions of years, somehow remained immune to the process. Moreover, it proves that at a time when, again according to evolution, only primitive forms of life were in existence, fully developed life forms with complex features and their own unique structures were already thriving. The creature that evolutionists imagine to be "primitive" is in fact nothing of the sort. In other words, the deceptive nature of invalid claims regarding "transition from a single-celled organism," "an intermediate form" and "a primitive life-form" is soon realized. Eventually, important evidence proves that the "process of gradual evolution" is nothing but a myth.

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All these specimens manifest one single truth: Living things did not come into being through the fictitious processes of the theory of evolution, but were created in a single moment. Today's living things, with all their perfect features as manifestations of God's superior artistry, possess exactly the same splendor and perfection as their counterparts that existed millions of years ago. Once all evolutionist speculation and claims are eliminated, the fact of creation is revealed for all to see—albeit in a manner totally unexpected by evolutionists.

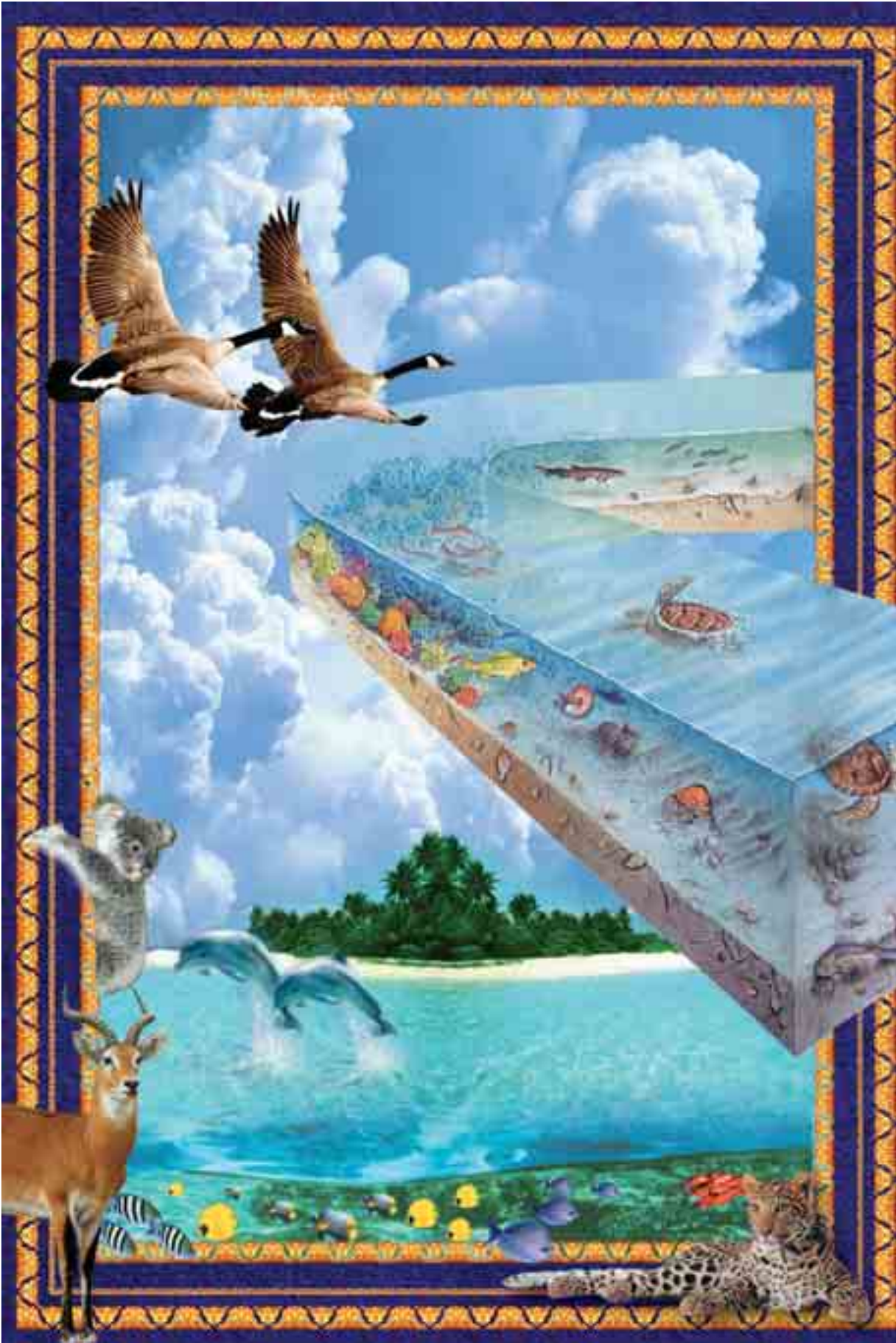
"Living fossils" are proofs that all the living things on Earth, past and present, were created from nothing; and that each one, possessing complex and superior attributes, is a miracle of God. This means that in fact, the supposed developmental process that evolutionists claim took place over millions of years never happened at all. Fictitious intermediate forms disappear along with fictitious scenarios.

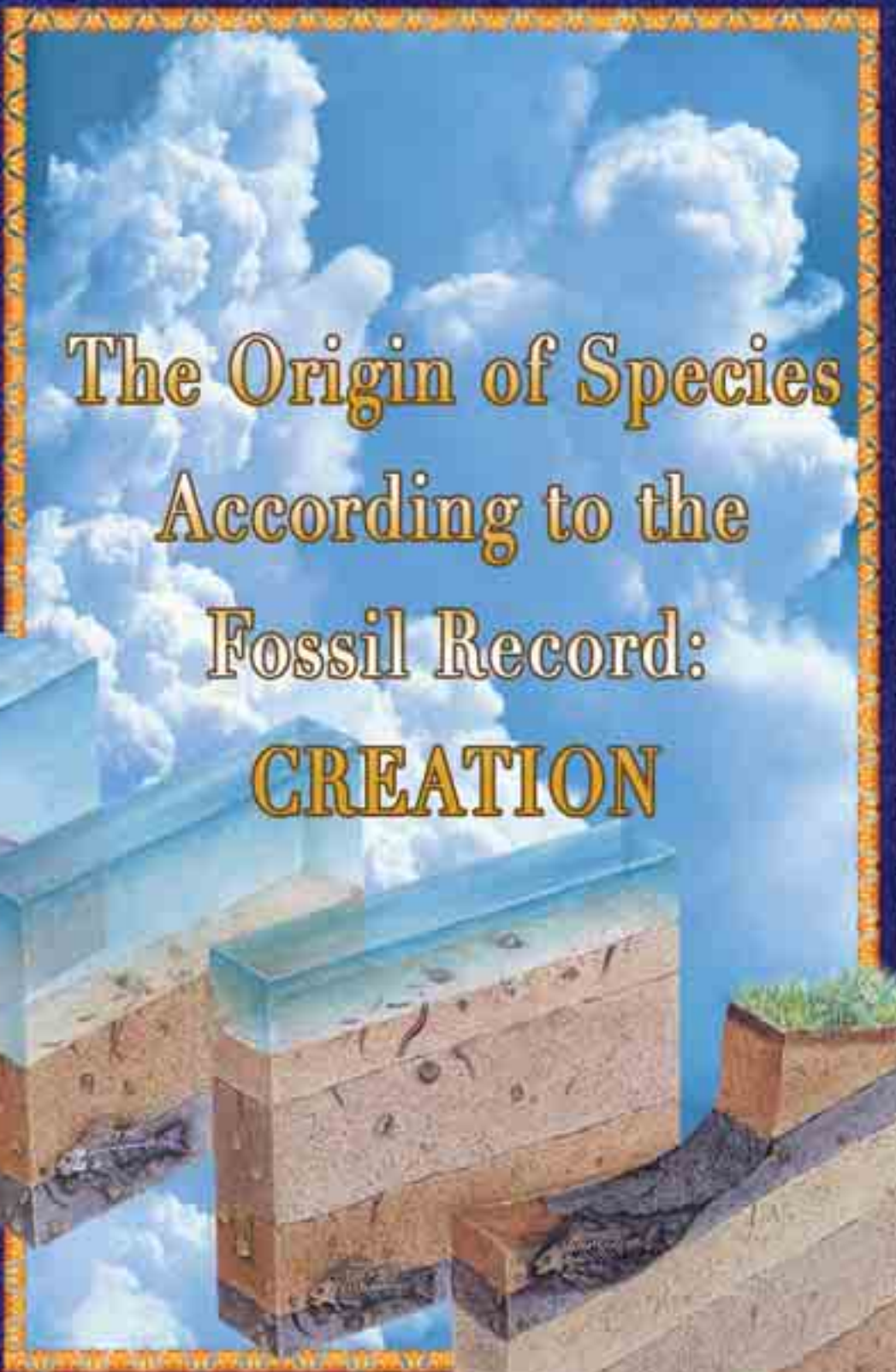
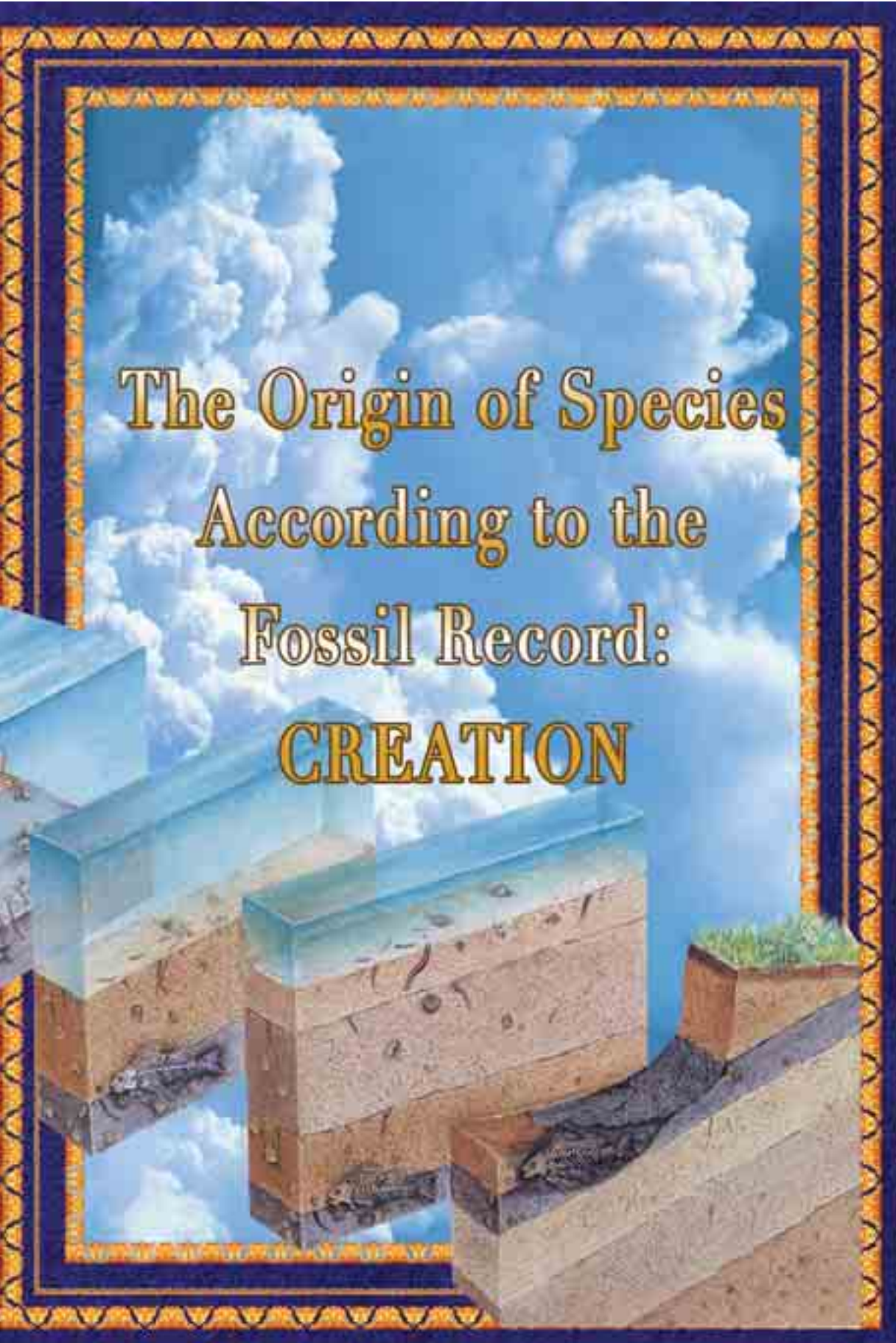
Below left: a Caddis fly in amber, between 50 and 45 million years old.

To its right: a tropical stingless bee in 24-million-year-old Dominican amber.

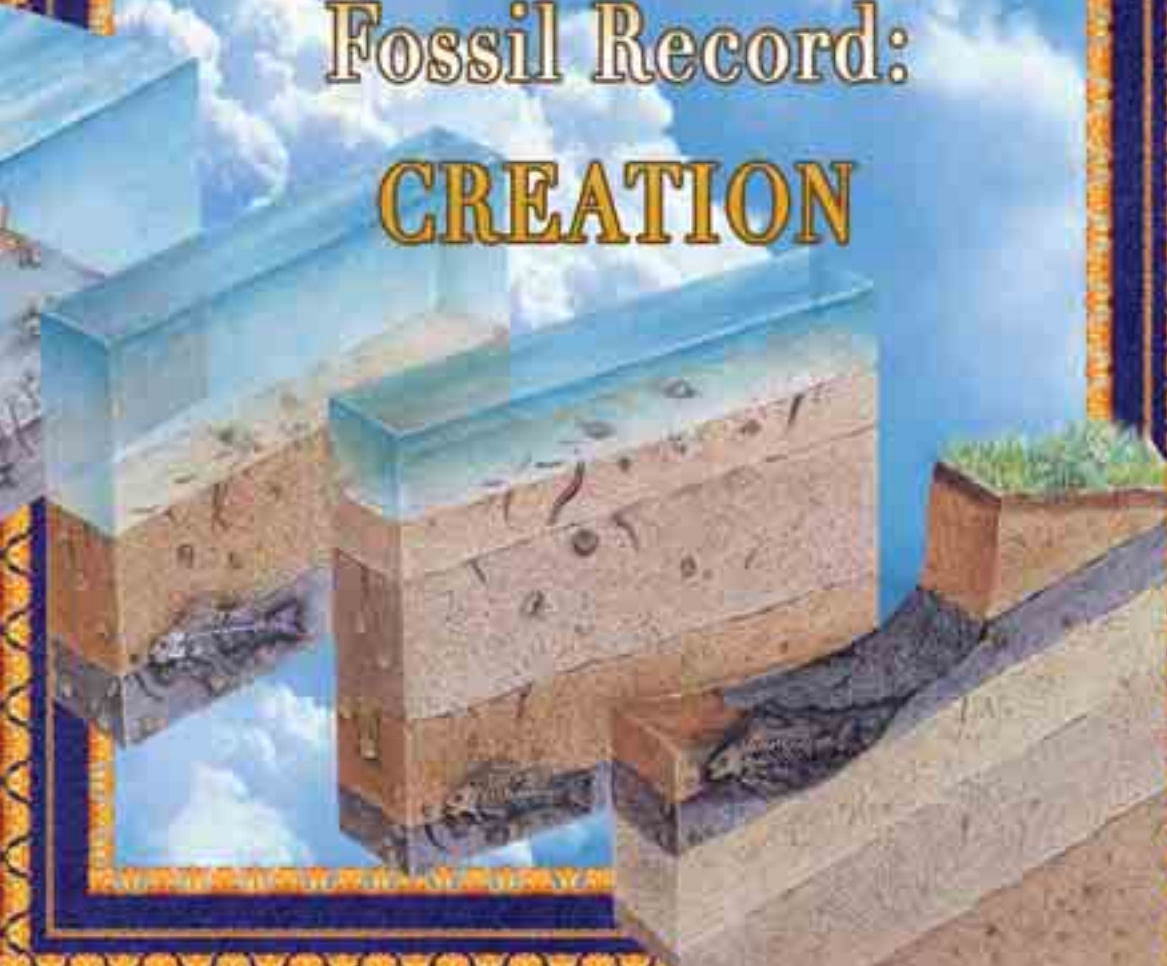
At top right: termites trapped in an amber, 25 million years old.







The Origin of Species
According to the
Fossil Record:
CREATION



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The theory of evolution claims that all the living species on Earth descended, by means of a series of minute changes, from a common ancestor. To state the theory another way, living species are not separated from one another by absolute differences, but exhibit an inner continuity. However, actual observations in nature have indicated that there is no such continuity as claimed. What we see in the living world are different categories of organisms, separated by vast and distinct differences. Robert Carroll, an expert on vertebrate paleontology, admits this in his book *Patterns and Processes of Vertebrate Evolution*:

Although an almost incomprehensible number of species inhabit Earth today, they do not form a continuous spectrum of barely distinguishable intermediates. Instead, nearly all species can be recognized as belonging to a relatively limited number of clearly distinct major groups...¹

Evolution is a process alleged to have taken place in the past, and fossil discoveries are the only scientific source that can tell us about the history of life. Pierre Grassé says this on the subject:

Naturalists must remember that the process of evolution is revealed only through fossil forms. ... Only paleontology can provide them with the evidence of evolution and reveal its course or mechanisms.²

In order for the fossil record to shed light on this subject, we need to compare what the theory of evolution predicts against the actual fossil discoveries.

Despite their lacking any scientific evidence, evolutionists maintain that birds evolved from reptiles. It is of course impossible for any such transition to have taken place. They are unable to provide any rational scientific explanation for how intricately created bird feathers might have emerged from dinosaur scales.



According to the theory, all living things have descended from various "ancestral" forms. A living species that existed before gradually turned into another species, and every present species emerged in this way. According to the theory, this transition took place slowly over hundreds of millions of years and progressed in stages. That being the case, countless numbers of "intermediate forms" must have emerged and lived over the long process of transition in question. And a few of them must certainly have been fossilized.

For example, half-fish, half-amphibian creatures that still bore fish-like characteristics but which had also acquired certain amphibious features must have existed. And reptile-birds with both reptilian

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and avian features must have emerged. Since these creatures were in a process of transition, they must have been deformed, deficient and flawed. These theoretical creatures claimed to have existed in the distant past are known as "intermediate forms."

If any such living species really did exist, then they should number, in the millions, or even billions. Abundant traces of them should be found in the fossil record, because the number of intermediate forms should be

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even greater than the number of animal species known today. The geologic strata should be full of the remains of fossilized intermediate forms. Darwin himself admitted this. As he wrote in his book, *The Origin of Species*:

If my theory be true, numberless intermediate varieties, linking most closely all of the species of the same group together must assuredly have existed... Consequently evidence of their former existence could be found only amongst fossil remains.³

Yet Darwin was aware that no intermediate forms had yet been found, and regarded this as a major dilemma facing his theory. In the chapter "Difficulties on Theory," he wrote:

... Why, if species have descended from other species by insensibly fine gradations, do we not everywhere see innumerable transitional forms? Why is not all nature in confusion instead of the species being, as we see them, well defined?... But, as by this theory innumerable transitional forms must have existed, why do we not find them embedded in countless numbers in the crust of the earth?... Why then is not every geological formation and every stratum full of such intermediate links? Geology assuredly does not reveal any such finely graduated organic chain; and this, perhaps, is the most obvious and gravest objection which can be urged against my theory.⁴

In the face of this difficulty, the only explanation Darwin could offer was that the fossil records of his time were insufficient. He claimed that later, when the fossil records had been examined in detail, the missing intermediate forms would definitely be found.

The Sufficiency of the Fossil Record

In the face of the lack of intermediate forms, Darwin claimed, 140 years ago, that they were not available then but new research would definitely unearth them. But has it? To put the question another way, after looking at the results of all the fossil research carried out to date, should we accept that intermediate forms never actually existed—or should we await the results of still further excavations?

The answer to that question of course depends on the wealth of the fos-



A bony fossil fish dating back some 210 million years.



A fossil frog, approximately 53-33.7 million years old.



A fossil crab approximately 55 to 35 million years old.



An echinoderm (starfish) fossil dating back some 135 million years.



A fossil spider, some 355 to 295 million years old.



A trionyx (tortoise) fossil, approximately 300 million years old.

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sil record we already have available. Looking at the paleontological data, we see that the fossil records are extraordinarily rich, with literally billions of fossil specimens obtained from different regions of the world.⁵ From examining these fossils, experts have identified some 250,000 different species, many of which bear an extraordinarily close resemblance to the 1.5 million species living today.⁶ (Of the 1.5 million species alive today, fully 1 million are insects.) Yet among these countless fossil specimens, no supposed intermediate form has ever been found. It seems impossible for the intermediate forms, that have not been discovered despite the rich fossil records, to be unearthed in new excavations.

T. Neville George, the Glasgow University professor of paleontology, admitted as much many years ago:

There is no need to apologize any longer for the poverty of the fossil record. In some ways it has become almost unmanageably rich, and discovery is outpacing integration ... The fossil record nevertheless continues to be composed mainly of gaps.⁷

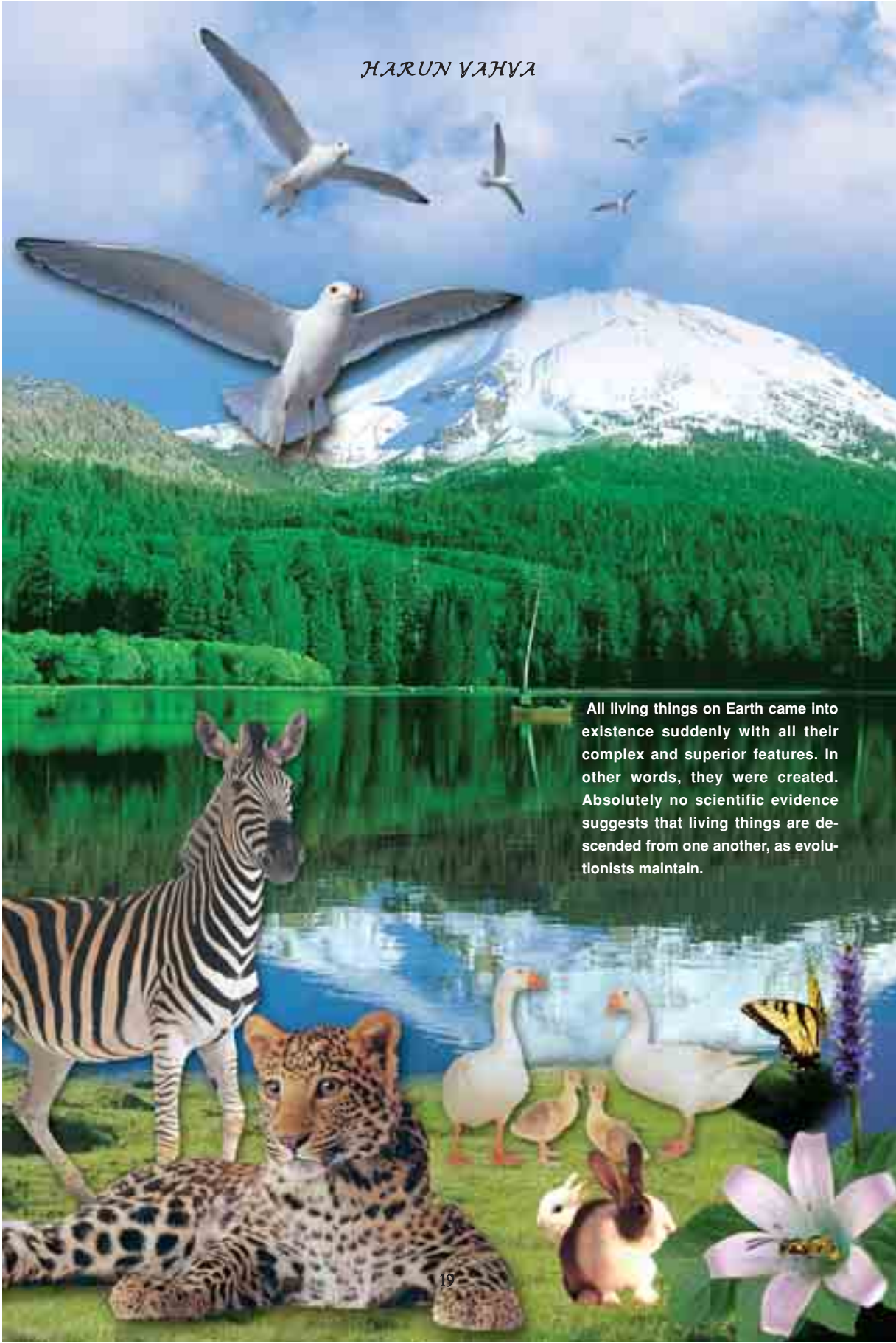
Niles Eldredge, a well-known paleontologist and director of the American Museum of Natural History, states that Darwin's claim to the effect that "the fossil record is deficient, which is why we cannot find any intermediate forms" is invalid:

The record jumps, and all the evidence shows that the record is real: The gaps we see [in the fossil record] reflect real events in life's history – not the artifact of a poor fossil record.⁸

In his 1991 book, *Beyond Natural Selection*, Robert Wesson says that the gaps in the fossil record are real and phenomenal:

The gaps in the record are real, however. The absence of any record of any important branching is quite phenomenal. **Species are usually static**, or nearly so, **for long periods**, ... **genera never show evolution into new species or genera** but replacement of one by another, and change is more or less abrupt.⁹

The argument put forward 140 years ago that "no intermediate forms have been found yet, but they will be in the future" is no longer tenable today. The fossil record is sufficiently rich to account for the origin of life, and it reveals a concrete picture: Different species all emerged independently of one



All living things on Earth came into existence suddenly with all their complex and superior features. In other words, they were created. Absolutely no scientific evidence suggests that living things are descended from one another, as evolutionists maintain.

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another, suddenly, and with all their different structures. No imaginary evolutionary "intermediate forms" existed among them.

Facts Revealed by the Fossil Record

What is the origin of the "evolution-paleontology" relationship that has been installed in society's subconscious? Why is it that when the fossil record is mentioned, most people assume that there's a definite, positive link between this record and Darwin's theory? The answers are set out in an article in the magazine *Science*:

A large number of well-trained scientists outside of evolutionary biology and paleontology have **unfortunately gotten the idea that the fossil record is far more Darwinian than it is**. This probably comes from the oversimplification inevitable in secondary sources: low-level textbooks, semipopular articles, and so on. Also, there is probably some wishful thinking involved. In the years after Darwin, his advocates hoped to find predictable progressions. **In general these have not been found yet the optimism has died hard, and some pure fantasy has crept into textbooks.**¹⁰

N. Eldredge and Ian Tattershall make the following important comment on that matter:

That individual kinds of fossils remain recognizably the same throughout the length of their occurrence in the fossil record had been known to paleontologists long before Darwin published his Origin. Darwin himself, ... prophesied that future generations of paleontologists would fill in these gaps by diligent search ... One hundred and twenty years of paleontological research later, **it has become abundantly clear that the fossil record will not confirm this part of Darwin's predictions. Nor is the problem a miserably poor record. The fossil record simply shows that this prediction is wrong.**

The observation that species are amazingly conservative and static entities throughout long periods of time has all the qualities of the emperor's new clothes: everyone knew it but preferred to ignore it. Paleontologists, faced with a recalcitrant record obstinately refusing to yield Darwin's predicted pattern, simply looked the other way.¹¹

The American paleontologist S. M. Stanley describes how this fact, revealed by the fossil record, is ignored by the Darwinist dogma that dominates the scientific world, and how others are also encouraged to ignore it:

The known fossil record is not, and never has been, in accord with gradualism. What is remarkable is that, through a variety of historical circumstances, even the history of opposition has been obscured. ... "The majority of paleontologists felt their evidence simply contradicted Darwin's stress on minute, slow, and cumulative changes leading to species transformation." ... their story has been suppressed.¹²

Let us now examine this truth revealed by the fossil record, which has so far been "suppressed," in rather more detail.

A 24-million-year-old caterpillar fossil embedded in amber is proof that caterpillars have always existed in exactly the same form—and never underwent evolution.

A cicada nymph, 50 to 45 million years old.







Stasis in the
Fossil Record

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When we investigate natural history, we find not living things "evolving into different anatomical structures," but ones that have remained unchanged, even over the course of hundreds of millions of years. This lack of change is referred to by scientists as "stasis." Living fossils and organisms that have not survived down to the present day, but which have left their fossils behind in various strata of the Earth's history are concrete proof of stasis in the fossil record. And this stasis shows that no gradual process of evolution ever occurred. In an article in the magazine *Natural History*, Stephen Jay Gould describes this inconsistency between the fossil record and the theory of evolution:

The history of most fossil species includes two features particularly inconsistent with gradualism: **1. Stasis.** Most species exhibit no directional change during their tenure on earth. They appear in the fossil record looking much the same as when they disappear; morphological change is usually limited and directionless. **2. Sudden appearance.** In any local area, a species does not arise gradually by the steady transformation of its ancestors; it appears all at once and 'fully formed.'¹³

If a living thing survives in a flawless form down to the present day with all the features it displayed millions of years ago and having undergone no change whatsoever, then this evidence is powerful enough to entirely dismiss the gradual evolution model anticipated by Darwin. Moreover, far from there being just one example to demonstrate this, there are in fact millions. Countless organisms exhibit no differences from their original states, which first appeared millions or even hundreds of millions of years ago. As openly stated by Niles Eldredge, this state of affairs is causing paleontologists to avoid the idea of evolution, which is still supported today:

No wonder paleontologists shied away from evolution for so long. It seems never to happen. Assiduous collecting up cliff faces yields zigzags, minor oscillations, and the very occasional slight accumulation of change over millions of years, at a rate too slow to really account for all the prodigious change that has occurred in evolutionary history.¹⁴

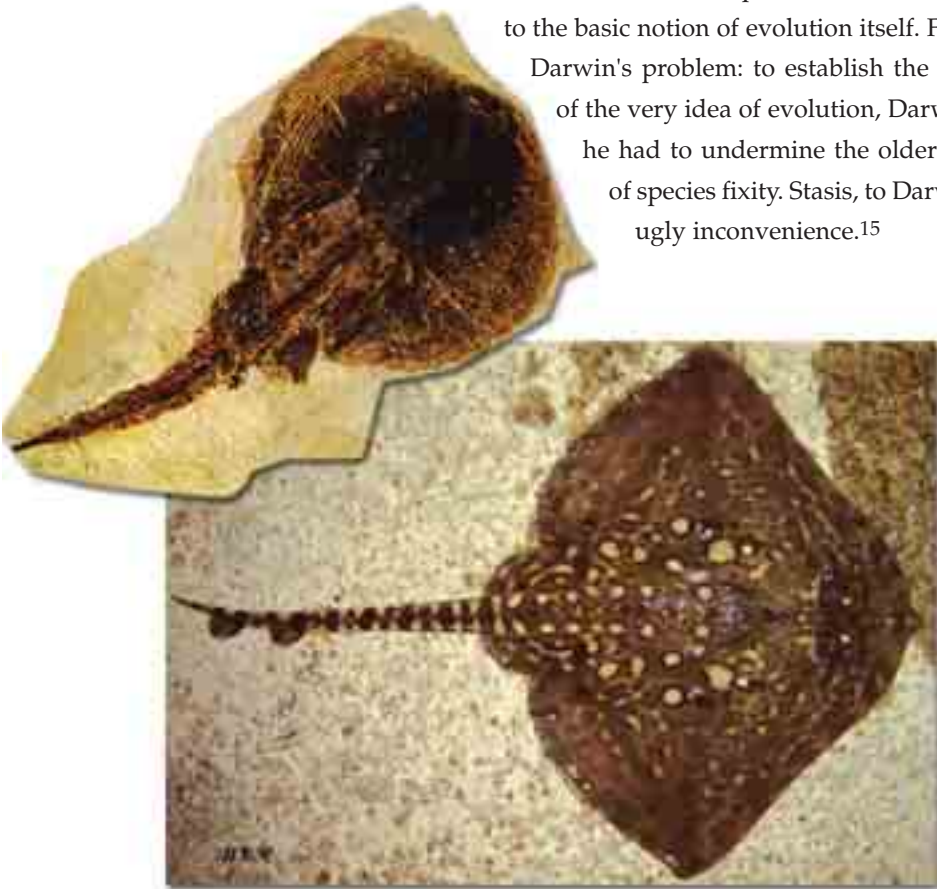
The stasis in the fossil record really does represent the greatest problem

facing the proponents of evolution. That's because evolutionists look in the fossil record for the evidence they need to prove their fictitious process of evolution. However, fossils provide none of the intermediate forms they seek, but furthermore, reveal that living things alleged to have undergone a process of change over time never underwent any evolution at all, even after hundreds of millions of years. Living forms are identical to how they appeared originally, and never underwent the gradual change predicted by Darwin.

Niles Eldredge describes how the stasis for long neglected by evolutionist paleontologists undermines Darwin's claim of gradual evolution:

But stasis was conveniently dropped as a feature of life's history to be reckoned with in evolutionary biology. And stasis had continued to be ignored until Gould and I showed that such stability is a real aspect of life's history which must be confronted—and that, in fact, it posed no fundamental threat

to the basic notion of evolution itself. For that was Darwin's problem: to establish the plausibility of the very idea of evolution, Darwin felt that he had to undermine the older ... doctrine of species fixity. Stasis, to Darwin, was an ugly inconvenience.¹⁵



A thornback ray fossil dating back to the Mesozoic era (245-65 million years ago) has exactly the same characteristics as those living in the sea today. This particular creature, about 250 million years old, clearly demonstrates that the evolutionary process is entirely fictitious.

Stasis in the Fossil Record

If evolution had really taken place then living organisms should have developed by gradual incremental changes and continued to change over time. But the fossil record shows the exact opposite. Different groups of organisms appeared suddenly with no similar ancestors behind them, and remained in their original state for millions of years, undergoing no changes at all.



A starfish dating back some 100 million years.



Horseshoe crab fossil from the Ordovician period. This 450-million-year-old fossil is no different from specimens living today.



Oyster fossils from the Ordovician period, no different from their modern counterparts.



Ammonites emerged some 350 million years ago, then became extinct 65 million years ago. But during the intervening 300 million years, the structure seen in the fossils never changed.





An insect fossil in amber, some 170 million years old but no different from its counterparts of today, found on the coast of the Baltic Sea.



The oldest known fossil scorpion, found in East Kirkton in Scotland. This species, known as *Pulmonoscorpis kirktoniensis*, is 320 million years old, yet no different from today's scorpions.



This 140-million-year-old dragonfly fossil found in Bavaria, Germany is identical to living dragonflies.



This 170-million-year-old fossil shrimp from the Jurassic period is no different from living shrimps.



35-million-year-old fossil flies, exhibiting the same bodily structure as flies today.

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Seeing the invalidity of Darwin's claim of gradual evolution, Eldredge advanced forward the idea of "punctuated equilibrium" together with Stephen J. Gould, and his words above were an accurate expression of the difficulty that stasis posed for Darwin. Yet the point that Eldredge ignores and neglects is that the stasis that is so manifest in the fossil record also represents a major dilemma for punctuated equilibrium.

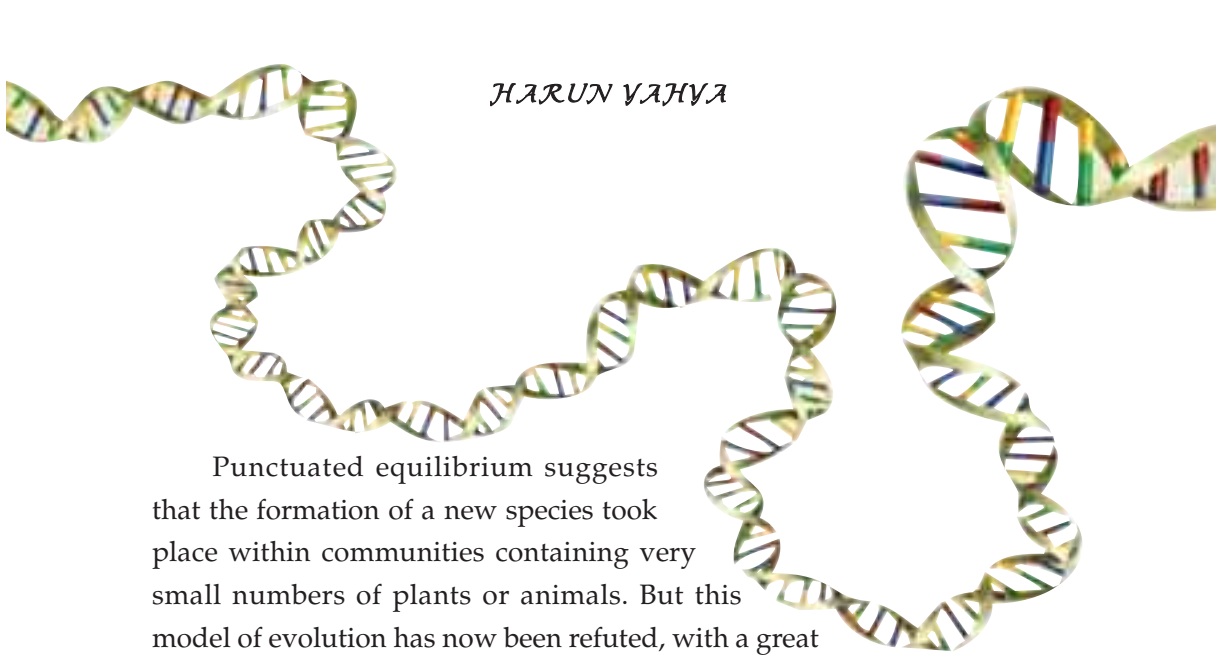
The paleontologists who proposed the punctuated equilibrium model of evolution admitted that the stasis in the fossil record presented a "problem." But since they considered it impossible to abandon the idea of evolution, they suggested that living things came into being not through small changes, but by sudden and very large ones. According to this claim, evolutionary changes took place in very small intervals of time, and in very narrow populations. Until this sudden jump, the population had exhibited little or no change and remained in a kind of equilibrium. Since the hypothetical population concerned was a narrow one, so-called large mutations would very quickly be favored by natural selection, and thus—somehow—the emergence of a new species would be established.



There is no evolutionary process in the origin of frogs. The oldest known frogs are completely different from fish, first appeared with their own unique structures, and possessed exactly the same characteristics as modern frogs.

There is no difference between this approximately 25-million-year-old fossil frog in Dominican amber and living specimens.





Punctuated equilibrium suggests that the formation of a new species took place within communities containing very small numbers of plants or animals. But this model of evolution has now been refuted, with a great deal of proof, by the sciences of microbiology and genetics. (For detailed information, see Harun Yahya's *Darwinism Refuted*.) Nor is there any scientific basis for punctuated equilibrium's claim regarding "narrow populations," put forward in order to account for the stasis in the fossil record and therefore, the absence of intermediate forms. Punctuated equilibrium was dealt a severe blow when it was revealed that in genetic terms, a restricted population presents no advantage for the theory of evolution, but rather a disadvantage! Far from developing in such a robust way as to give rise to a new species, narrow populations actually cause genetic defects. The reason is because the individuals in small isolated groups constantly reproduce within a narrow genetic pool. Therefore, normally "heterozygote" individuals—those enjoying a wide gene pool—become "homozygote" or more restricted in their genetic variations. The result is that normally recessive defective genes become dominant, thus producing ever-greater defects and genetic diseases in the population.

Therefore, the lack of intermediate forms in the fossil record cannot be a result of evolution taking place in narrow populations. In addition to all these scientific impossibilities, the adherents of punctuated equilibrium can't explain why traces of changes in such small populations are never found in the fossil record.

This clearly demonstrates that both the gradual model of evolution that Darwin proposed, and the punctuated equilibrium model put for-

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ward to cover up its deficiencies, are not able to account for the stasis in the fossil record, the sudden appearance of living forms, and the lack of transitional ones. Whatever theory may be proposed, all claims that living organisms underwent evolution will end in failure and are scientifically condemned to collapse, because living things did not evolve. God has created all living things in their perfect states, from nothing. Therefore, all claims that living things evolved are doomed to disappear.

Stephen J. Gould, one of the intellectual fathers of the "punctuated equilibrium" theory, admitted this in all clarity at a conference he gave at Hobart & William Smith College:

Every paleontologist knows that most species don't change. That's bothersome ... brings terrible distress. ... They may get a little bigger or bumpier. But they remain the same species and that's not due to imperfection and gaps but stasis. And yet this remarkable stasis has generally been ignored as no data. If they don't change, it's not evolution so you don't talk about it.¹⁶

The "Ineffectiveness" of the Environment

Living fossils hold a mirror to the lack of difference between present-day specimens and fossil remains from the past, and offer evidence that therefore, species underwent no evolution over millions of years. In that way, they deal a severe blow to the theory of evolution, which, as is well-known, claims that only those organisms able to adapt to changing environmental conditions survive, and that these evolve into other living things under the effect of imaginary random changes. But living fossils show that the idea of species gradually "reacting" to environmental conditions is actually groundless.

Examples of very old living fossils include the shark, which reveals no trace of change despite being around 400 million years old. The *Cœlacanth*, which evolution-

ists portrayed as an intermediate form between fish and amphibians until living specimens were found off Madagascar, constitutes a striking refutation of the theory of evolution's scenario of change.

Despite its evolutionist slant, *Focus* magazine referred to living things that had remained unchanged for millions of years in its April 2003 issue, which dealt with the *Cœlacanth*:

The shark, one of the most dangerous creatures in the sea, and a 400-million-year-old fossil show that sharks have never undergone any evolution.



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The discovery that a creature as large as the *Cœlacanth* had lived for so many years outside the knowledge of the scientific world led to its attracting a great deal of interest. Yet there are a very large number of organisms which, like the *Cœlacanth*, are identical to fossils remaining from millions of years ago. For example, the *Neopilina*, a species of crustacean, has remained unchanged for 500 million years, the scorpion for 430 million years, the *Limulus*, a marine creature with armour and a sword-like tail, for 225 million years, and the *Tuatara*, a species of reptile living in New Zealand, for 230 million years. Many arthropods, crocodiles, turtles and many species of plant are other components of this growing list.¹⁷

Focus cited the examples of cockroaches and archaeobacteria, and openly admitted these species deal a blow to the theory of evolution:

Looked at from the evolutionary perspective, the probability of organisms such as these undergoing mutation is much higher than that of others. Because every new generation means the copying of DNA. Bearing in mind the number of times the copying process takes place over millions of years, a very interesting picture emerges. In theory, various elements of pressure such as changing environmental conditions, hostile species and competition between species should lead to natural selection, the selection of species advantaged by mutation, and for these species to undergo greater change over such a long period of time. YET THE FACTS ARE OTHERWISE. Let us consider cockroaches, for example. These reproduce very quickly and have short life spans, yet they have remained the same for approximately 250 million

A 50-million-year-old fossil scorpion in amber.



years. Archaeobacteria are an even more striking example. These emerged 3.5 billion years ago, when the Earth was still very hot, and are still alive today in the boiling waters in Yellowstone National Park.

The theory of evolution is a fictitious story written about the natural history of species, and is actually refuted by the scientific findings its adherents obtain! Living fossils show that the effect of the environment on living things is not evolution but rather "non-evolution." Species have not come by their present-day structures by undergoing a process of random change. They have all been flawlessly brought into being by Almighty God and have persisted in the form they were first created throughout their time on Earth.

A tuatara fossil and a tuatara living today.

A fossil horseshoe crab and a present-day specimen.





A fossil crocodile, 190 million years old, and a crocodile of today.



A salamander fossil, 160 million years old.



Background: a woodpecker feather, which is identical to present-day woodpecker feathers.



A fossil feather, 120 million years old.

Snake fossils dating back millions of years show that snakes have never changed at all.





*Right: a fossil flower.
Above: today's primrose.*



A 2-million-year-old fossil ant preserved in amber.
Above: an ant living today. These creatures are still the same as they were millions of years ago.



A fossil maple leaf dating back millions of years, and modern maple leaves.

Background: the oldest known flowering plant fossil.



Examples of Living Fossils



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Living fossil is the nickname given to organisms whose traces appear in the fossil layers from early geological periods, of which living specimens are still found today. These living things exhibit no differences from their counterparts from millions of years ago, and represent living examples of those long-dead fossil forms.

Without doubt, the most important of these is the forementioned *Cœlacanth*. For many years, evolutionists portrayed it as the most significant supposed intermediate form, on which they wasted a great deal of speculation until the first surprise appeared in 1938.

The Cœlacanth: An Example of a False Intermediate Form

Off the coast of southern Africa, in the winter of 1938, a fishing boat called The Nerine dragged from the Indian Ocean near the Chalumna River a fish thought to be extinct for 70 million years. The fish was a cœlacanth, an animal that thrived concurrently with dinosaurs...¹⁸

These words, by the evolutionist Keith S. Thompson, chairman of the Oxford University Academy of Natural Sciences, are a clear expression of how quickly an evolutionary myth faded into nothing. The catching of a live specimen of *Cœlacanth* did away with one of the greatest fake foundations of the theory of evolution.

The *Cœlacanth*, which according to the fossil record, dates back some 410 million years to the Devonian period, was regarded by evolutionists as a powerful intermediate form between fish and reptile. It had been mysteriously erased from the fossil record 70 million years ago, during the Cretaceous period, and was believed to have become extinct at that time.¹⁹ Based on these fossils, evolutionist biologists suggested that this creature had a non-functioning, "primitive" as evolutionists put it, lung. Speculation regarding the *Cœlacanth* became so widespread that the fish was cited in many scientific publications as the most significant evidence for evolution. Paintings and drawings of it leaving the water for the land quickly began appearing in books and magazines. Of course, all these assumptions, images and claims, were based on the idea that the creature was extinct.

The truth was very different, however. Since 1938, more than 200 pre-

sent-day *Cœlacanths* have been caught, after that first one off South Africa. The second came from the Comoro Islands off north-west Madagascar in 1952, and a third in Indonesian Sulawesi in 1998. The evolutionist paleontologist J. L. B. Smith was unable to conceal his amazement at the capture of the first *Cœlacanth*, saying, "If I'd met a dinosaur in the street I wouldn't have been more astonished."²⁰

Later, photographs of a pair of *Cœlacanths* cavorting was even published in *National Geographic* magazine! The capture of living *Cœlacanths* revealed that the claims regarding it were nothing more than deceptions. The structure that evolutionist researchers suggested was a primitive lung turned out to be nothing but a fat-filled swimbladder. In addition, evolutionists had always depicted the fish as living in shallow waters, as a potential reptile preparing to crawl onto the land where it would continue to

Below: The evolutionist paleontologist J. L. B. Smith and the living *Cœlacanth* found in the Comoro Islands. This first specimen showed that the *Cœlacanth* was a fully-fledged fish, not an intermediate form as claimed by evolutionists. Another 200 specimens discovered since have confirmed this significant fact.

A 410-million-year-old *Cœlacanth* fossil.



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"evolve." Yet the *Cœlacanth* was now found to be living in the deepest ocean waters—a bottom-dwelling fish almost never rising above 180 meters below the surface.²¹

In 1987, the German naturalist Hans Fricke confirmed these research findings when he observed and photographed *Cœlacanths* off the Grand Comoro Island. He observed that the fish swam backwards, forwards and even tilted head down, but never once "walked, crawled, or otherwise moved on the bottom with their lobed fins."²²

Cœlacanth being a living fossil eliminated the so-called evidence that evolutionists had exhibited so proudly to support their imaginary scenario of the fish's transition from water to land. When this creature was encountered in 1938, it immediately revealed the fraudulent nature of the transition from water to land. Evolutionists cast no aspersions on the fact of this living fossil and did not seek to convince anyone that this discovery was in error. They came up with no new conjectures regarding the *Cœlacanth* and the story of how it emerged from the sea onto dry land. The stasis in the fossil record had demolished the story of this fish's evolution by tearing down one of its basic premises.

Professor of political science Robert G. Wesson set this fact out in these terms:

The bony-finned *Cœlacanth*, thought to be long extinct but rediscovered in 1938, has been approximately static some 450 million years (Avers 1989, 317). ... The nearly timeless



species are not exempt from the changes of proteins that go on in all living beings, and they could surely vary in many ways without loss of adaptiveness, but their patterns have become somehow frozen. ... From the point of view of conventional evolutionary theory long-term stasis is hard to explain. Rapid evolution ... is incongruous that species remain unchanged through changing conditions over many million years.²³



Above: The tail of the living *Coelacanth* and that of a 140-million-year-old fossil specimen are identical to one another.

Above left: Another living *Coelacanth* specimen.



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Horseshoe crab. A 450-million-year-old horseshoe crab is no different to specimens alive today. It has possessed the same complex features and equipment for the last half billion years or so. Clearly, at a time when—according to Darwinists—living things should have been evolving, no evolution actually took place.



The Horseshoe Crab

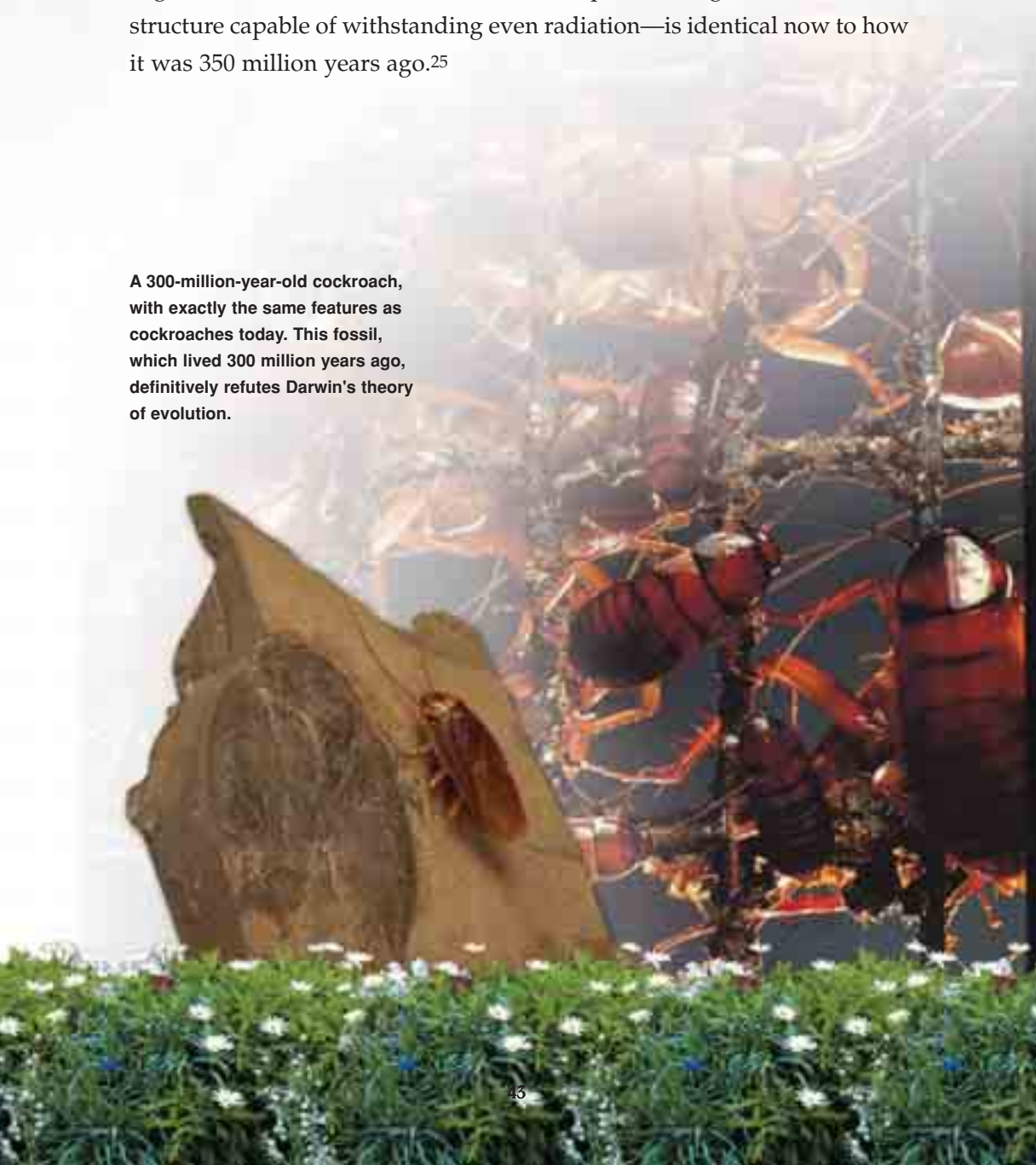
The first fossil records of the horseshoe crab go back 425 million years, yet this living fossil still lives along present-day shores. Its tail, which allows it to walk with ease across the sand and which is used for steering, its two eyes with their exceedingly complex structures, and all its other unique features have remained unchanged over the last 425 million years.



The Cockroach

The cockroach, the oldest winged insect in the world, first appears in fossils some 350 million years old, from the Carboniferous period.²⁴ This insect—with its various feelers and hairs that are extremely sensitive to the slightest movement, even to air currents, its perfect wings, and its resistant structure capable of withstanding even radiation—is identical now to how it was 350 million years ago.²⁵

A 300-million-year-old cockroach, with exactly the same features as cockroaches today. This fossil, which lived 300 million years ago, definitively refutes Darwin's theory of evolution.



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The Okapi

Another living fossil that invalidates one of the greatest faulty proofs of the theory of evolution—and which even revealed a fraud perpetrated in the name of evolution—is the okapi, shown in the illustration below.

The fossils belonging to this animal dated back to the Miocene epoch. The okapi had always been believed to be extinct—that is, right up until the first living specimen was captured in 1901. At that time, it was taken up as an example by evolutionists and presented as an intermediate form in the equine evolution scenario, which itself is totally false. However, with the capture of a living okapi, that scenario of equine evolution was also done away with.

The "evolution of the horse" was for a long while the evolutionists' Exhibit A in regard to the imaginary origin of mammals. Various living and extinct species were set out, one after the other according to size, totally ignoring the gross anatomical differences between them, and were presented as different stages in the evolution of the horse. This series, exhibited in natural history museums for many years, was described in textbooks as if it were a solid proof of evolution. Today, however, a great many evolutionists admit the invalidity of the equine evolution scenario and confess that it is an example of wishful thinking totally based on sleight-of-hand.



In November, 1980, the evolutionist Boyce Rensberger addressed a four-day symposium attended by 150 evolutionists at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago, which considered problems facing the theory of evolution. He described how the equine evolution scenario had no basis in the fossil record and how the horse never underwent a process of gradual evolution:

The popularly told example of horse evolution, suggesting a gradual sequence of changes from four-toed fox-sized creatures living nearly 50 million years ago to today's much larger one-toed horse, has long been known to be wrong. Instead of gradual change, fossils of each intermediate species appear fully distinct, persist unchanged, and then become extinct. Transitional forms are unknown.²⁶

Rensberger was quite right; no evidence exists that any such process as equine evolution ever took place. The equine "series" is totally speculative and is not based on the facts. Moreover, there are considerable anatomical and physical differences among these animals. What Rensberger ignores, however, is that not all the species in the series are extinct. The okapi, encountered in 1901, showed that a creature that evolutionists depicted as an intermediate form was in fact still alive today. This animal, which has no relation to the horse and which bears a far closer resemblance to the zebra, was living in the Miocene epoch (23-5.3 million years ago), displaying the same complex features it possesses today.

The living fossil of the okapi again demolished one of the main claims of the theory of evolution. The equine series scenario, full of inconsistencies in all possible regards to begin with, was finally eradicated, and another evolutionary disgrace was quietly placed on the shelf.

Dr. Niles Eldredge of the American Museum of Natural History said the following about this equine family-tree, which was still lingering in the museum basement:

There have been an awful lot of stories, some more imaginative than others, about what the nature of that history [of life] really is. The most famous example, still on exhibit downstairs, is the exhibit on horse evolution prepared perhaps fifty years ago. That has been presented as the literal truth in text-

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book after textbook. Now I think that is lamentable, particularly when the people who propose those kinds of stories may themselves be aware of the speculative nature of some of that stuff.²⁷

Other Living Fossils

Newspapers frequently attract attention with such headlines as "20-Million-Year-Old Spider Fossil Discovered" or "35-Million-Year-Old Lizard Fossil Unearthed." Each of these reports is actually further proof that nothing like the evolutionary process ever happened. There are many examples of living fossils and in addition, these examples go back hundreds of millions of years.

The crocodile is a reptile that was living 200 million years ago, as is confirmed by the fossil record.²⁸ Yet it is of course alive today. Ginkgo trees were living 125 million years ago, but living specimens were found in China in our own time. Neopilina molluscs were living 500 million years ago, the tuatara lizard 200 million years ago, and archaeobacteria as long ago as 3.5 billion years ago.²⁹ These are still alive today, with all their complex systems and perfect structures. The nautilus, another mollusc, was living in the seas 300 million years ago,³⁰ and these creatures are living, feeding and reproducing in exactly the same form in today's seas.



A 146 to 65-million-year-old nautilus (top), and identical modern specimens.

The Australian and African lungfish is another example of a living fossil that was alive 400 million years ago and still thrives in the present. Charles Darwin was astonished by the survival of these fish down to the present day,



A fossil ginkgo tree leaf dating back 125 million years, and a present-day example.

An Australian lungfish from the Devonian period (408-360 million years ago). Evolutionists claim that lungfish are the ancestors of amphibians. Yet the pulmonary structure in these fish bears no resemblance to that in terrestrial animals.

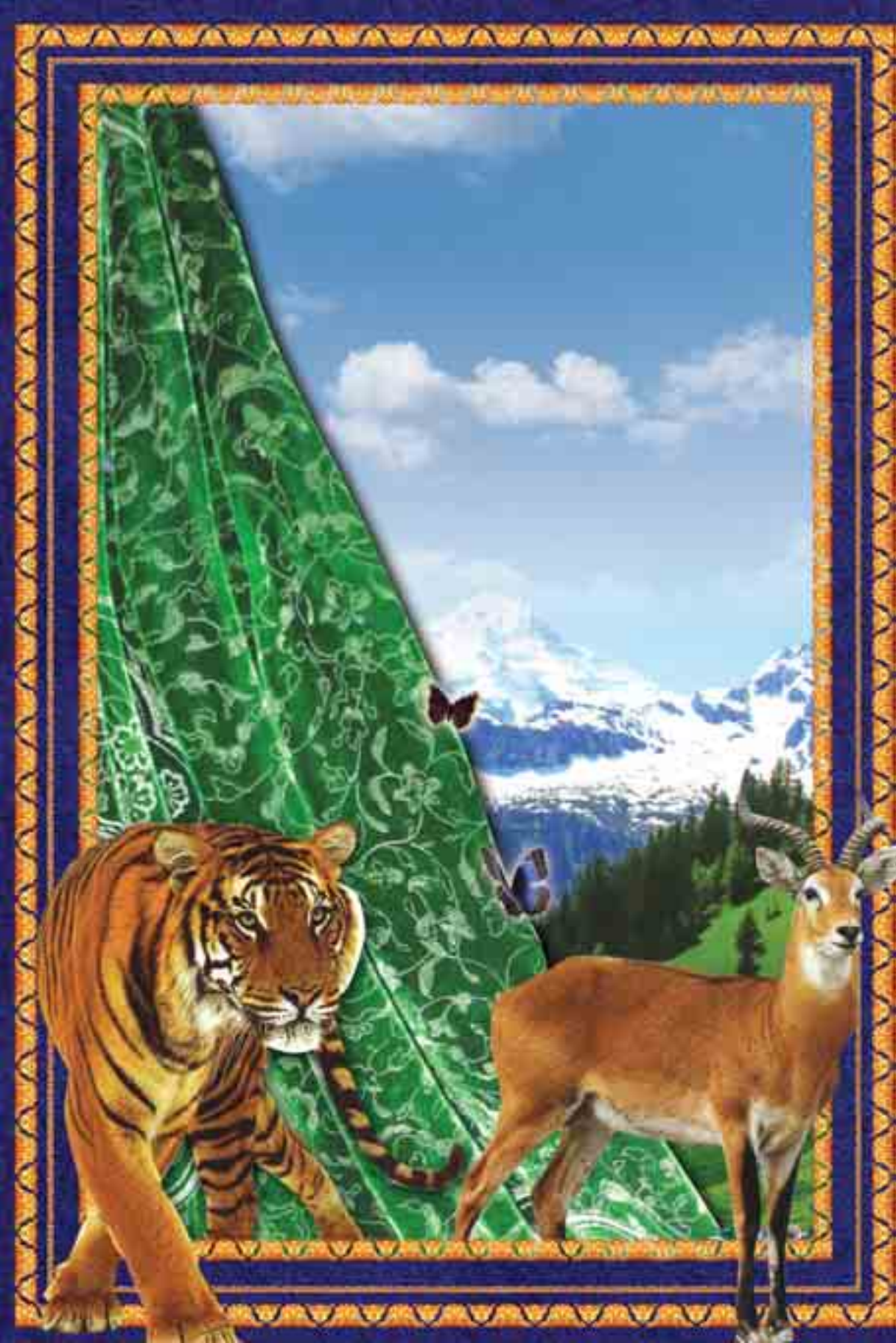


and in his *Origin of Species*, he therefore referred to them as "anomalous forms" that "may almost be called living fossils."³¹

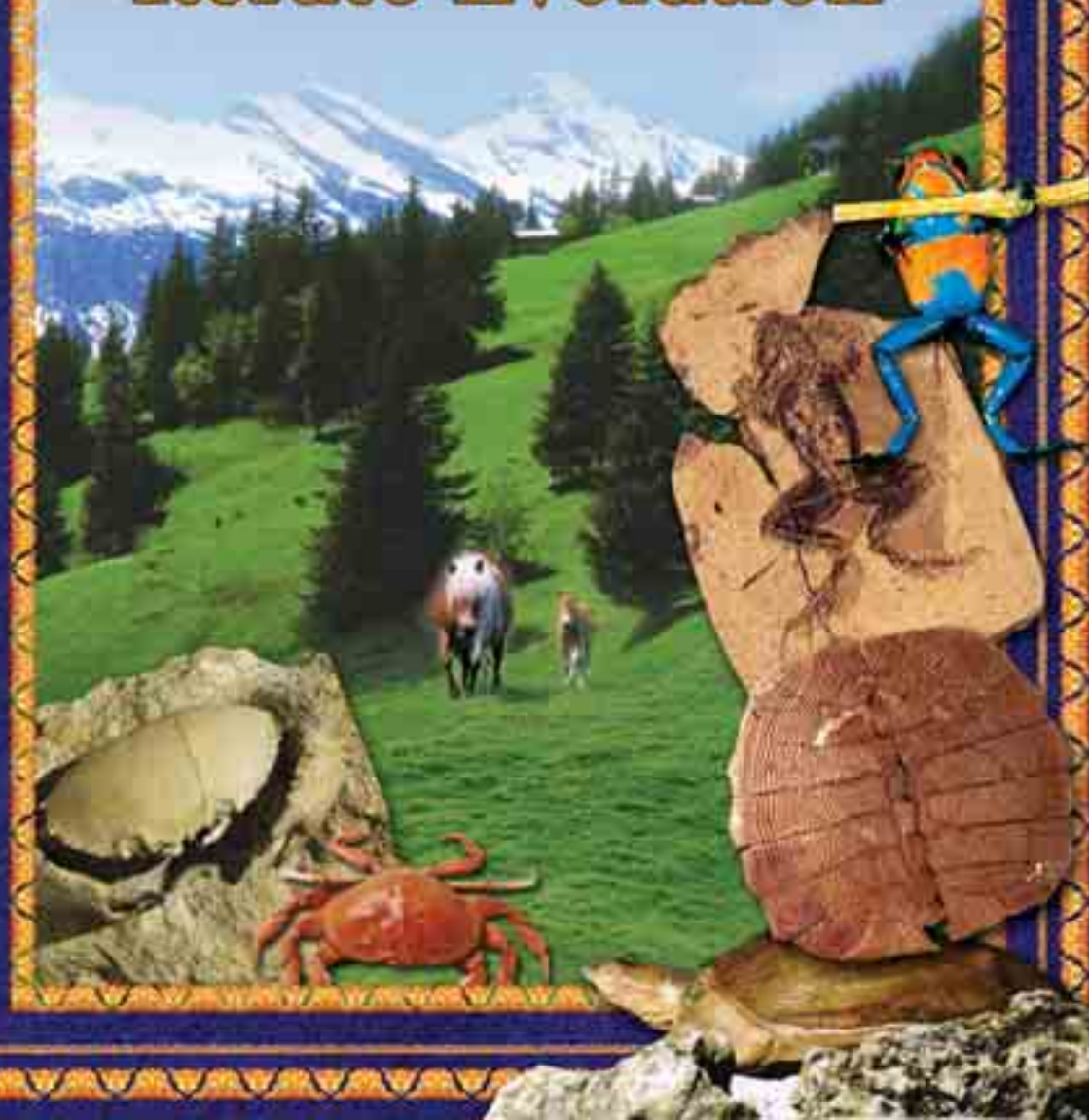
This is by no means the end of the list of creatures that still survive today unchanged, in exactly the same form as they displayed millions of years ago. The sturgeon, mackerel, freshwater bass, herring, needlefish, lobster, crawfish and the Devonian-period shark are all examples of living fossils. Other examples include the jellyfish, sponges, frogs, bees, ants, butterflies and termites. The 230-million-year-old dragonfly, soldier ants dating back 100 million years, and the 150-million-year-old salamander are all still living today. The same applies to arachnids such as the spider and myriapods such as the millipede.^{32, 33}

Finally, a spider fossilized in amber, and estimated as being 20 million years old, was one of the most important discoveries of the 2000s. A statement from Manchester University announced that this spider, 4 centimeters long and 2 centimeters wide, was identical to present-day specimens. It is hoped that a blood specimen from the spider can extract the arachnid's DNA.³⁴ However, this fossil spider is certainly not the only specimen found. Other fossil spiders unearthed in excavations have been estimated to be hundreds of millions of years old, and are now on exhibit in museums in various countries of the world. The oldest known and most perfect sea spider fossil dates back 425 million years—important evidence that these creatures have remained unchanged for millions of years.³⁵

The Earth contains countless other fossil specimens from millions of years ago of organisms still living today, such as this spider, and of other creatures now extinct. The fossils illustrated in this book are just a few of the millions of specimens kept in various museums.



Living Fossils
Refute Evolution



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The evolutionist magazine *New Scientist* described evolutionist contradictions in the face of living fossils:

Some biologists marvel that there is any evolution at all, considering the possible pitfalls of change. "The idea is that organisms are so complex that it is very hard to change one aspect without wrecking everything else," says [Yale paleontologist Elisabeth] Vrba. But it is extremely difficult to show that this is why our supreme survivors remain unchanged for millions of years.³⁶

Of course it is hard for this fact to be explained in evolutionist terms, because adherents are looking for an explanation within the theory of evolution. Yet the living fossils reveal that living things did not descend from one another in stages, nor have they evolved in any way. The fossil record provides no examples of intermediate forms. Countless living things have remained unchanged for millions of years, and their current anatomical structures are exactly the same as they were millions of years ago. The fossil record is almost complete with both animal and plant specimens demonstrating this. It definitively and scientifically refutes evolution.

The evolutionist Niles Eldredge admits that no explanation exists with regard to living fossils, which constitute one of the countless secrets that evolution has been unable to unravel:



Niles Eldredge

... there seems to have been almost no change in any part we can compare between the living organism and its fossilized progenitors of the remote geological past. Living fossils embody the theme of evolutionary stability to an extreme degree. ... We have not completely solved the riddle of living fossils.³⁷

Pierre-Paul Grassé, one of France's best-known zoolo-

gists, former editor of the 28-volume *Traité de Zoologie* (Treatise of Zoology) and former president of the French Academy of Sciences, ends the chapter "Evolution and Natural Selection" in his book *Evolution of Living Organisms* with these words:

The "evolution in action" of J. Huxley and other biologists is simply the observation of demographic facts, local fluctuations of genotypes, geographical distributions. Often the species concerned have remained practically unchanged for hundreds of centuries! Fluctuation as a result of circumstances, with prior modification of the genome, **does not imply evolution**, and **we have tangible proof of this in many panchronic species** [i.e. living fossils that remain unchanged for millions of years].³⁸

Living fossils and the stasis in the fossil record could not be explained in Darwin's time, much less afterwards. Scientists attempting to adapt Darwin's theory of evolution by means of changes of form to modern scientific findings have also admitted as much, no matter how reluctantly. Facts revealed by the scientific data and the fossil record totally conflict with the present-day theory of evolution, just as Darwin himself admitted 150 years ago:

... I am well aware that scarcely a single point is discussed in this volume on which facts cannot be adduced, often apparently leading to conclusions directly opposite to those at which I have arrived. A fair result can be obtained only by fully stating and balancing the facts and arguments on both sides of each question; and this cannot possibly be here done.³⁹

With these words, Darwin states unhesitatingly that his claim does not square with the facts—for which reason he has ignored them. That is the same situation for those who support the theory of evolution today; despite the truth revealed by the fossil record they blindly continue in Darwin's wake and turn their backs on the facts. However, this deception is a short-lived one. The facts are now far more evident, and far more identifiable. The number of people who have seen the truth and preferred it is rising, and the number of people who unquestioningly believe in fairy tales is on the decrease. The facts cannot be concealed and ignored, as

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widely as they were in Darwin's day. Genetics, microbiology, paleontology, geology and all other branches of science constantly reveal a truth that Darwin and his supporters never wanted, and that they perhaps never expected—the fact of Creation.

That is because God is the Real and what you call on apart from Him is false. God is the All-High, the Most Great.

Don't you see that God sends down water from the sky and then in the morning the earth is covered in green? God is All-Subtle, All-Aware.

Everything in the heavens and everything in the Earth belongs to Him. God is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy.

Don't you see that God has made everything on the Earth subservient to you and the ships running upon the sea by His command? He holds back the heaven, preventing it from falling to the Earth—except by His permission. God is All-Compassionate to humanity, Most Merciful. It is He Who gave you life and then will cause you to die and then will give you life again. Man is truly ungrateful. (Qur'an, 22:62-66)

Opposite page: Bats have remained unchanged for 50 million years, and are among the most important proofs that demolish the theory of evolution.





Conclusion



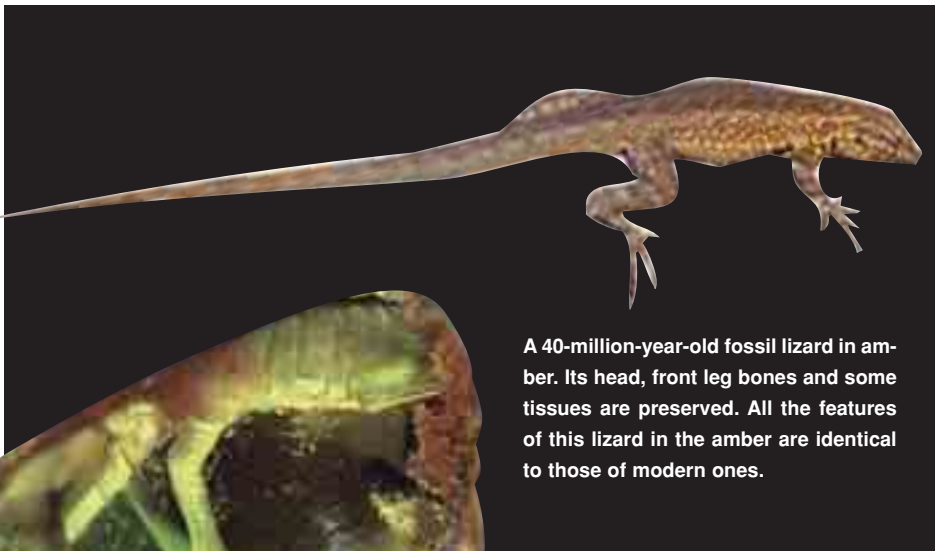
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From time to time, newspapers and magazines report that a 200-million-year-old mosquito fossil has been found, or a 30-million-year-old lizard fossil discovered. Reading reports of that kind, one may well imagine that there is something special or unique about these fossils and that their like is seldom encountered. Yet that assumption is not correct.

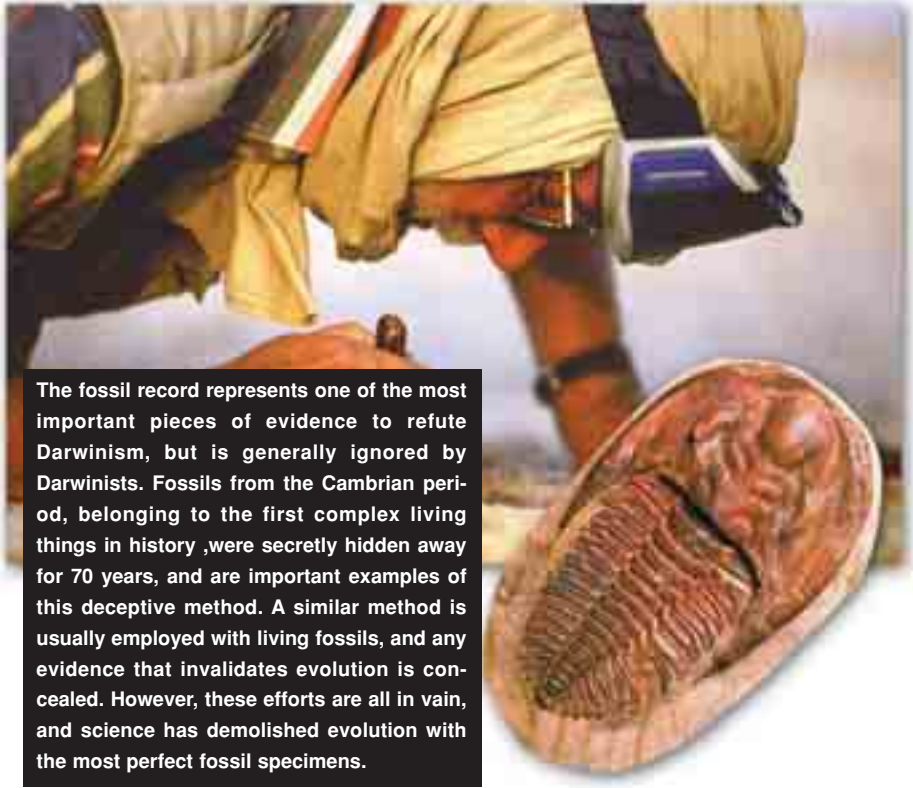
The Earth is filled with millions-of-years-old fossils of present-day living things. A very large part of these have been unearthed, and everywhere that paleontologists excavate and study, still they find fossil specimens of modern living things with all their flawless attributes. Kept in countries' museums are millions-of-years-old spiders, ants, flies, spiders, scorpions, crabs, frogs and many other creatures, extinct and otherwise. Even specimens perfectly preserved in amber in all their detail are to be found in museums in their thousands, or even hundreds of thousands. Yet their numbers are seldom mentioned in books and newspapers, and scientific journals, forums and discussions do not address them.

Why is this?

The reason is that every "living" fossil discovered is another proof that demolishes evolution. Every single example of such a living species is enough to destroy the theory to which Darwinists dedicate their professional lives. For that reason, evolutionists attempt to keep large numbers



A 40-million-year-old fossil lizard in amber. Its head, front leg bones and some tissues are preserved. All the features of this lizard in the amber are identical to those of modern ones.



The fossil record represents one of the most important pieces of evidence to refute Darwinism, but is generally ignored by Darwinists. Fossils from the Cambrian period, belonging to the first complex living things in history, were secretly hidden away for 70 years, and are important examples of this deceptive method. A similar method is usually employed with living fossils, and any evidence that invalidates evolution is concealed. However, these efforts are all in vain, and science has demolished evolution with the most perfect fossil specimens.

of these fossils hidden.

The Cambrian life forms hidden in the famous Smithsonian Institution for 70 years—in other words, fossils of the oldest complex life forms in the history of the planet—are a significant instance of this. Charles Doolittle Walcott, a paleontologist and Secretary (1907-1927) of the Smithsonian, began research in the fossil-bearing Burgess Shale region in the Rocky Mountains, Canada. On 31 August, 1909, Walcott unearthed one of the greatest finds in the history of paleontology: the first fossils of creatures 530 million years old—which lived more than half a *billion* years ago.

Walcott collected these fossils, and when looked at the phyla to which they belonged, he was amazed, because the fossil stratum he had found was so very ancient. No significant life forms had been encountered in any older strata. But this one contained fossils of almost all of the known phyla, as well as fossils belonging to unknown phyla, showing that all the

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bodily structures in the animal kingdom had emerged all together, in the same geological period.

This represented a lethal blow to Darwin's theory, because Darwin had suggested that living things developed like the branches of a slowly spreading tree. According to the evolutionary tree that Darwin dreamed up, a single phylum should appear first, then different species, and then, different phyla over a very long period of time. Yet Walcott was looking at clear evidence that all of the phyla existing in the present day, and even more, had emerged suddenly and at the same time, around 530 million years ago. This discovery completely did away with the imaginary "evolutionary tree" that presumed that phyla began with one species that branched off over long periods of time. Right at the beginning of the history of life, complex features were displayed with ever-more complex fossil specimens representing a total of 50 distinct phyla, and numerous species.



These approximately 530-million-year-old fossils entirely eliminated the false reasoning of gradual evolution. Yet they were brought out from where they had been stored and presented to the world only after 70 years had gone by. Walcott had decided to conceal the fossils he had obtained rather than making them available up to his fellow scientists.

As the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Walcott was a dyed-in-the-wool Darwinist. According to the theory of evolution, fossils with relatively simple structures were to be expected in rocks of such great age. Yet in terms of complexity, the fossils he discovered were no different from our present-day creatures, such as crabs, starfish and worms. For Darwinists, the alarming aspect of this was that no fossil specimen that might be proposed as the ancestor of these creatures was to be found, either in Burgess Shale or in older rocks.

Faced with these dilemmas, Walcott was all too aware that the fossils he had obtained would constitute a major stumbling block for the theory of evolution. Instead of announcing them, he sent them to the Smithsonian, together with a few photographs he had taken and a set of notes. There the fossils were locked away in drawers and forgotten for 70



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years. The Burgess Shale fossils were brought to light only in 1985, when the museum archives were re-examined. The Israeli scientist Gerald Schroeder comments:

Had Walcott wanted, he could have hired a phalanx of graduate students to work on the fossils. But he chose not to rock the boat of evolution. Today fossil representatives of the Cambrian era have been found in China, Africa, the British Isles, Sweden, Greenland. The [Cambrian] explosion was worldwide. But before it became proper to discuss the extraordinary nature of the explosion, the data were simply not reported.⁴⁰

These fossils represent one of the greatest difficulties for the evolutionists, making it a certainty that their theory is invalid. They are proofs of creation that evolutionists are completely unable to explain.

Historically, the proponents of evolution have committed countless examples of fraud, in which an ape jaw was added to a human cranium, reconstructions were produced from a single fossil pig's tooth showing the imaginary social lives of ape-men, or feathers were added to dinosaur fossils. (For detailed information, see Harun Yahya's *Darwinism Refuted*, Goodword Books, 2003 and *The Evolution Deceit*, Ta-Ha Publishers, 1999). The adherents of this theory seek to keep it alive not with scientific evidence but ideologically. They didn't hesitate to produce fake "intermediate" fossils to support their claims, but have felt compelled to conceal fossils hundreds of millions of years old that would consign their theory to the dustbin. Their illogicality gradually began to be realized, and since the Earth's strata were full of such fossil specimens, some of them were slowly, reluctantly displayed. Yet this deception still persists today, and some fossil specimens are still kept quietly concealed in museums. If all these specimens kept out of public view were made available, the obvious facts would be realized. Most scientists, however, lack the courage to make such a move that would completely do away with the theory of evolution.

This book presents a small selection of living fossils and their counterparts millions of years old. Our aim in doing so is to show that no evolutionary process ever took place on Earth, to prove that millions of years ago, living organisms were equipped with the same immaculate features they possess now, and to reveal that evolution is a false theory that has

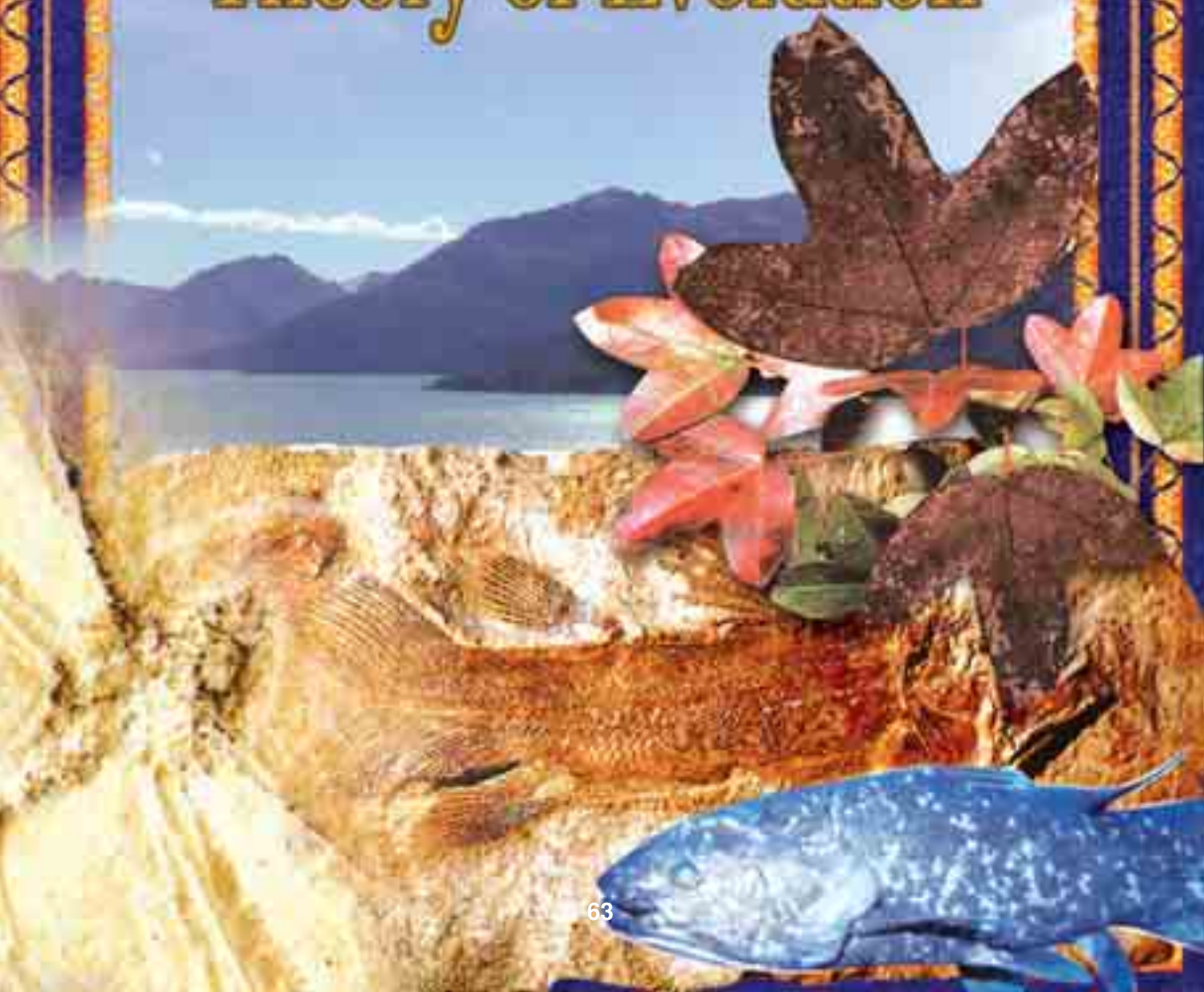
sought to keep itself alive by concealing the truth and misleading people. Any theory that hides the scientific evidence, that seeks to assume an authoritative guise through fraud and deception, has openly disproved itself.

Evolutionists are well aware that all the scientific evidence shows that their "process" is nothing but a myth. Living fossils are the work of God, the Creator and Lord of all things, Who first created them millions of years ago and has maintained them in all their perfect forms right down to the present day. Ever since Darwin's time, his followers have been terrified of this evident fact being revealed for all to see. At last, however, this manifest and indisputable truth is out in the open, and all their efforts to conceal it have been in vain. Superstition has vanished in the face of the facts; and God, Lord of the worlds, has once again revealed His greatness and might in the most ideal form:

We did not create heaven and Earth and everything in between them as a game. If We had desired to have some amusement, We would have derived it from Our Presence, but We did not do that. Rather We hurl the truth against falsehood and it cuts right through it and it vanishes clean away! Woe without end for you for what you portray! (Qur'an, 21:16-18)



Examples of Living Fossils Refute the Theory of Evolution



50-Million-Year-Old Fossil Fish



This 50 million-year-old fish was fossilized in the process of swallowing another fish, discovered in the Green River region of Wyoming, USA.



This 50-million-year-old fossil fish, Genus *priscacara*, dating back to the Eocene epoch, was also discovered at Green River in Wyoming, where some of the world's best-known fossil discoveries have been made. As with this fish, other fossils discovered in this region have preserved a large portion of their soft tissues.



***Phareodus encaustus* is readily distinguished by its long pectoral fin and large pointed teeth, which testify to the fish's likely carnivorous behavior. This fossil, 50 million years old, is identical to present-day specimens and is truly an astonishing specimen by all measures: size, preservation and preparation.**



A portion of this 50-million-year-old Eocene freshwater bass fossil (*Mioplosus labracoides*) exhibits fine preservation. Today, similar species to this live in fresh waters in the northern hemisphere and in Asia, Europe and New Zealand, identical to their 50-million-year-old counterparts.



Another 50-million-year-old fossil fish.

A Bear Fossil Dating Back 300,000 to 100,000 Years



This bear (*Ursus spelaeus*), which species is still alive today, was discovered in the Ural Mountains in Russia. This fossil dates back 300,000 to 100,000 years.



The bear's tooth.



146- to 65-Million-Year-Old Neuropteran Fossils



The first neuropterans are believed to have appeared during the Permian, almost 300 million years ago. The order is highly diverse today, including insects known by the common names of lacewings, ant lions and snake flies. Some 4,700 extant species of Neuroptera are known. These fossils are identical to present-day specimens.

An extremely rare owlfly larva from the family Ascalaphidae in fossil amber which is between 146 and 65 million years old.



A 2-millimeter neuropteran in amber (146-65 million years old).



An exquisitely-preserved 28-millimeter lacewing from Liaoning, China.



Approximately 125 million years old.



Insect fossils dating back some 125 million years, belonging to 100 families and 500 different species, have been unearthed in the Chinese region of Hebei. No examples of such splendid variety and fine detail have been encountered anywhere else in the world. As can be seen in this photograph, there is exceedingly fine detail in the wings. The fossils obtained here clearly reveal that insects have undergone no change whatsoever right down to the present day.



This fossil seahorse, found in Rimini, Italy, belongs to the lower Pliocene (5 to 4 million years ago). The genus is still extant today, living in subtropical and tropical waters in various parts of the world.

A 125-Million-Year-Old Scorpion Fly



This 125-million-year-old member of the Mecoptera, is from Hebei, China. This one is a female with incredible detail preserved in the wings, which includes preserved color bands. There are a large number of these scorpion flies living today.



**Paleontology
Has Declared
the Fact of
Creation through
Living Fossils.**

Insects are well represented in Liaoning and Hebei Provinces of China, with over 10,000 specimens representing over 500 species. Some of these insects, 125 million years old, are shown below.



A 16-millimeter stonefly from the lower Cretaceous (approximately 125 million years ago).



An 18-millimeter plant-dwelling insect from the lower Cretaceous (approximately 125 million years ago).



A butterfly (Lepidoptera) with a wingspan greater than 5 centimeters from the lower Cretaceous (approximately 125 million years ago).

A 125-Million-Year-Old Katydid



This example is a member of the Orpoptera (which comprises grasshoppers and their kin) from the family Haglidae, reminiscent of present-day katydids, from Hebei, China. The details of this very large specimen have been very well preserved, including a color scale dating back 125 million years. As can be seen from the 27-millimeter ovipositor it used to bury its eggs in the soil, this is a female that shares exactly the same anatomical features as today's katydids.



Close-up view.



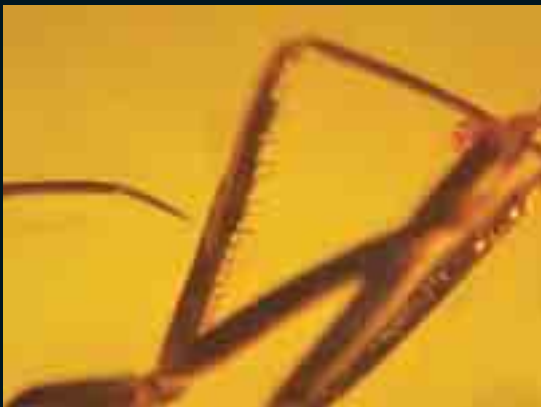
Close-up view.

The Assassin Bug that Led to Darwin's Death

Fossils refute evolution. This fact, one of the difficulties that faced Darwin's theory 150 years ago, is now plain for all to see.



Assassin bugs are widespread all over the world and known so because of their speed and the way they poison their prey (Order Hemiptera). These 120-million-year-old fossil specimens are identical to assassin bugs living today.



A 50-Million-Year-Old Stingray



This 50-million-year-old stingray was found in Green River in Wyoming. The details in the tail of this perfectly preserved fossil are striking, showing that this specimen is identical to present-day stingrays.



A 50-Million-Year-Old Herring



This herring, also found in Green River in Wyoming and dating back to the Eocene (50 million years ago), possesses a mouth structure unique to surface-feeding fish. This type of herring has also been found in Cretaceous strata in South America. Over the last 50 million years, these fish have undergone no changes at all.





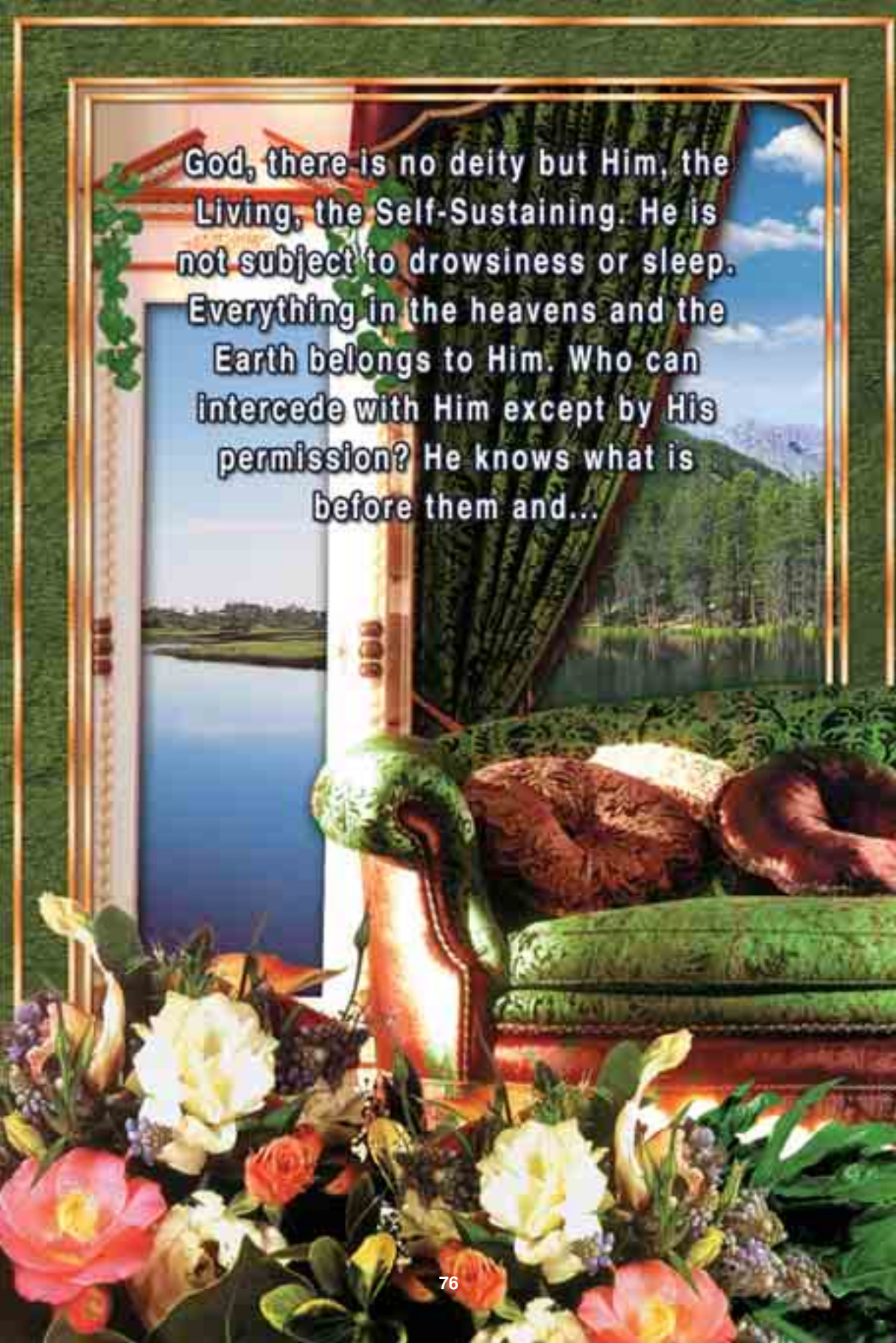
The first living specimens of this 50-million-year-old dawn redwood fossil (*Metasequoia*) were found in British Columbia in Canada. This specimen is identical to present-day dawn redwoods.



This *Annularia stellata* from the Carboniferous period, 330 million years ago, was unearthed in France. Living forms of this plant are called horsetails.



This poplar tree leaf dating back to the Eocene, 50 million years ago, was found in Green River, Utah.



**God, there is no deity but Him, the
Living, the Self-Sustaining. He is
not subject to drowsiness or sleep.
Everything in the heavens and the
Earth belongs to Him. Who can
intercede with Him except by His
permission? He knows what is
before them and...**



... what is behind them but they
cannot grasp any of His knowledge
save what He wills. His Footstool
encompasses the heavens and the
Earth and their preservation does
not tire Him. He is the Most High,
the Magnificent.
(Qur'an, 2:255)

A 250- to 270-million-year-old shrimp fossil. Its exoskeleton consists of a long single-part shell that covers the entire body. This 5-centimeter-long crustacean is found widely in today's oceans.



A 125-million-year-old fossil containing different insects. One is a member of the Neuroptera, or lacewings. There are several beetles, and a dipteran present as well.



A fossil shrimp frequently encountered in Jurassic marine strata. This fossil is between 200 and 140 million years old, and is no different from present-day shrimps.



A 50-million-year-old sumac plant leaf found in Green River, Colorado.



A plane-tree (*Macginitea*) leaf fossil, 55 million years old.



A *Betula* plant fossil, found in Montana and dating back to the Paleocene epoch (60 million years ago), is fully three-dimensional.



This fossil plate found in British Columbia in Canada dates back to the Eocene (50 million years ago).





This fossil fish, discovered near Beskonak in Ankara, Turkey is some 14 million years old.



This species of crab, *Harpactocarcinus*, lived some 55 to 35 million years ago. This specimen is around 8 centimeters long.



A 280-million-year-old fossil frog.



This fossil fish, known as a needlefish because of its shape, was found in the Ramlia Taouz region of Morocco. At 127 million years of age, it dates back to the Cretaceous period, and is identical to needlefish of today.



A 1.8 million- to 11.000-year-old spider fossil discovered in New Zealand.



A fossil tortoise from the upper Pliocene (5 to 1.8 million years old).



A 200-million-year-old fossil tortoise.



A 161-million-year-old fossil salamander.



A 64-million-year-old shrimp fossil from the lower Cretaceous period.



An 82- to 68-million-year-old sea urchin fossil.



There is no difference whatsoever between this 195-million-year-old fossil shrimp and present-day shrimps.



A 50-million-year-old tortoise fossil and a modern-day tortoise whose form has remained unchanged for millions of years.



Above: This extremely large insect is a mayfly, from the Jurassic period. This winged insect from the time of the dinosaurs displays all its four wings in fine fashion.



A 50-million-year-old fossil insect.



A fossil bee from the Eocene epoch (54 to 33 million years ago).



54-50-million-year-old fishes.

**Evolution has been
defeated in the face of
living fossils.**



A fossil crab dating back 25
million years.



Another fossil crab from the Oligocene epoch (38 to 23 million years ago).



A 146- to 65-million-year-old lobster from the Cretaceous period. Even the delicate long legs and antennae are quite well-preserved.



This is a fossil shrimp from the Jurassic period over 8 inches along the curve. The arthropod boasts excellent detail—the head, segmented carapace, legs, and even its tail are wonderfully displayed. There is no difference between it and the “living fossils” in today’s oceans.



A 9-centimeter shark's tooth found in phosphate beds in central Florida. This fossil dates back to between the Eocene (54 million years ago) and Early Pliocene (5 million years ago).



A 208- to 146-million-year-old fossil fish.

His command when He desires a thing is just to say to it, "Be!" and it is. Glory be to Him Who has the Dominion of all things in His Hand. To Him you will be returned.

(Qur'an, 36:82-83)



This 150-million-year-old dragonfly fossil is just as same as today's dragonflies.



A crinoid fossil, often found in rocks of the Silurian period (440 to 410 million years ago) and Mississippian period (360 to 325 million years ago). It is no different to present-day crinoids.



A 440- to 410-million-year-old marine scorpion from the Silurian period.

The invalidity of the theory of evolution is clearly revealed by "living fossils"—today's creatures whose form has remained unchanged for eons of geologic time. These present-day creatures possess exactly the same traits and complex features as their counterparts did then—in some cases, hundreds of millions of years ago.

Plant Fossils



A fossil belonging to a flowering plant (*Archaefructus liaoningensis*), regarded as one of the oldest fossil plants yet discovered. This fossil, which goes back 130 million years, contains the distinguishing feature of all flowering plants, including female ovaries containing seeds. It is no different from present-day flowering plants.



A fossil pinecone, some 20 million years old.



A 35-million-year-old willow tree branch.

This fossil of a variety of plane tree leaf found near Kızılcahamam, Ankara, Turkey dates back 18 million years. It has exactly the same features as plane tree leaves of today.



A fossil *Alethopteris* plant, 300 million years old, and its counterpart of today.



A 345- to 270-Million-Year-Old Fossil Scale Tree



Lepidopteron (scale tree) is a plant that lived 345 to 270 million years ago. As can be seen in the enlarged photograph of the fossil, the leaf scars—places where the leaves began on the twig—are very clear. One can even see the centers of diamond-shaped leaf scars where the veined corymb passed to the leaf stalk. This tree survives in exactly the same form today.





This plant, *Senftenbergia plumosa*, consists of dividing, compound leaves, and dates back to the Carboniferous period (300 million years ago).

Millions of proofs that refute evolution are exhibited in living fossils.



A tree fern that lived 365-290 million years ago, which is no different from present-day specimens.

The seven heavens and the Earth and everyone in them glorify Him. There is nothing which does not glorify Him with praise but you do not understand their glorification. He is All-Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving.
(Qur'an 17:44)



The tree fern is a plant of today growing up to 6 meters in height.



Quercus hispanica.

This fossil specimen of an oak tree that lived some 145 million years ago is identical to present-day oaks.



This tree fern, fossilized in rock, is perfectly preserved (300 million years old).

Sweetgum leaf fossil, approximately 55 million years old. These trees generally grow up to 25 meters in height and are one of the best-known living fossils in today's world.



A 350-million-year-old swamp plant and a similar specimen of the present day.



The Sphenopterid plant, with its fern-like leaves, has a complex structure. It is no different from present-day plants, and the leaves can be seen very clearly. This specimen dates back to the Carboniferous period (325 to 290 million years ago).

These plants—having survived down to the present while undergoing no changes over hundreds of millions of years—are the most important evidence that refutes the theory of evolution.

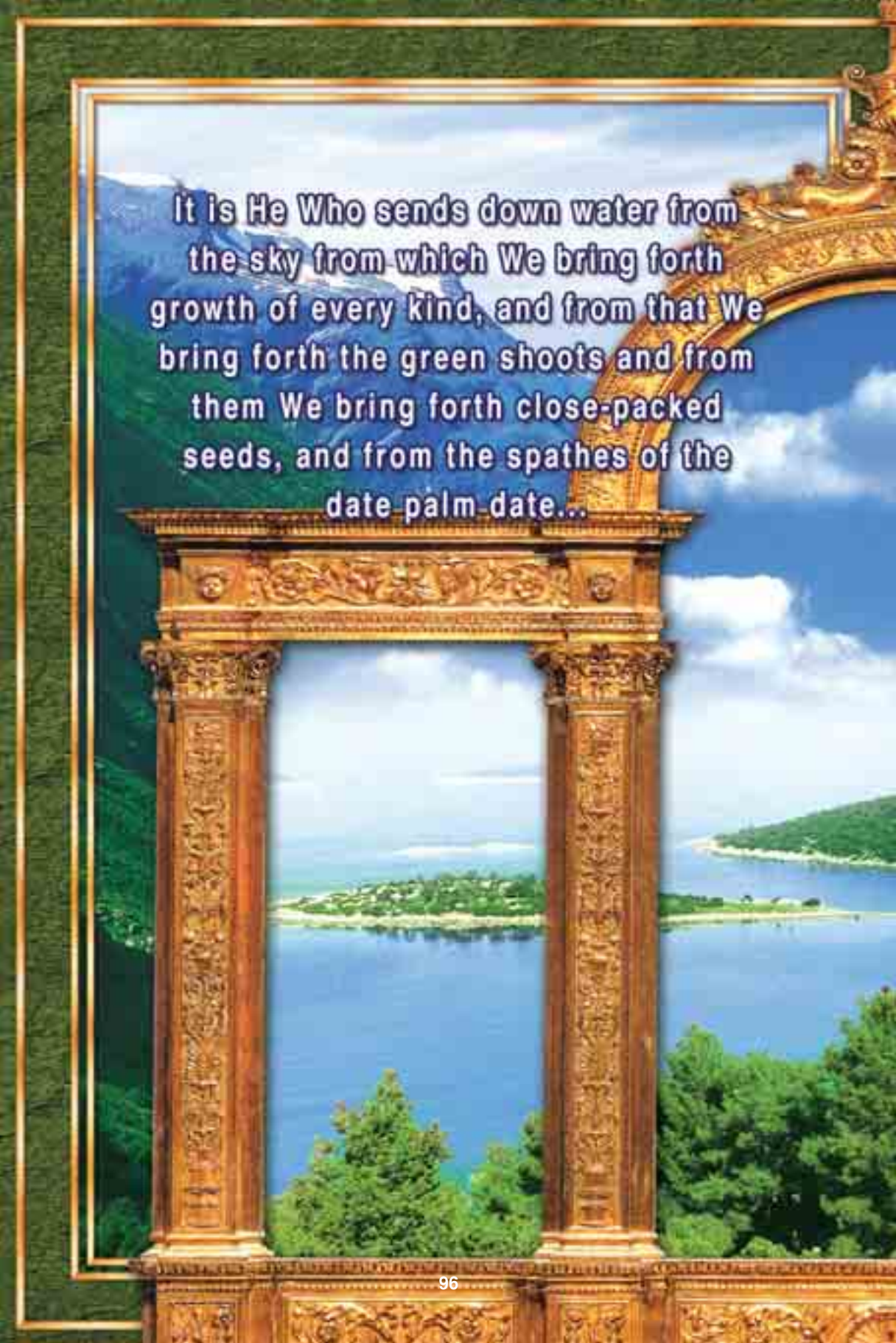


Today's tree, *Cryptomeria japonica*, is identical to a 300-million-year-old fossil.

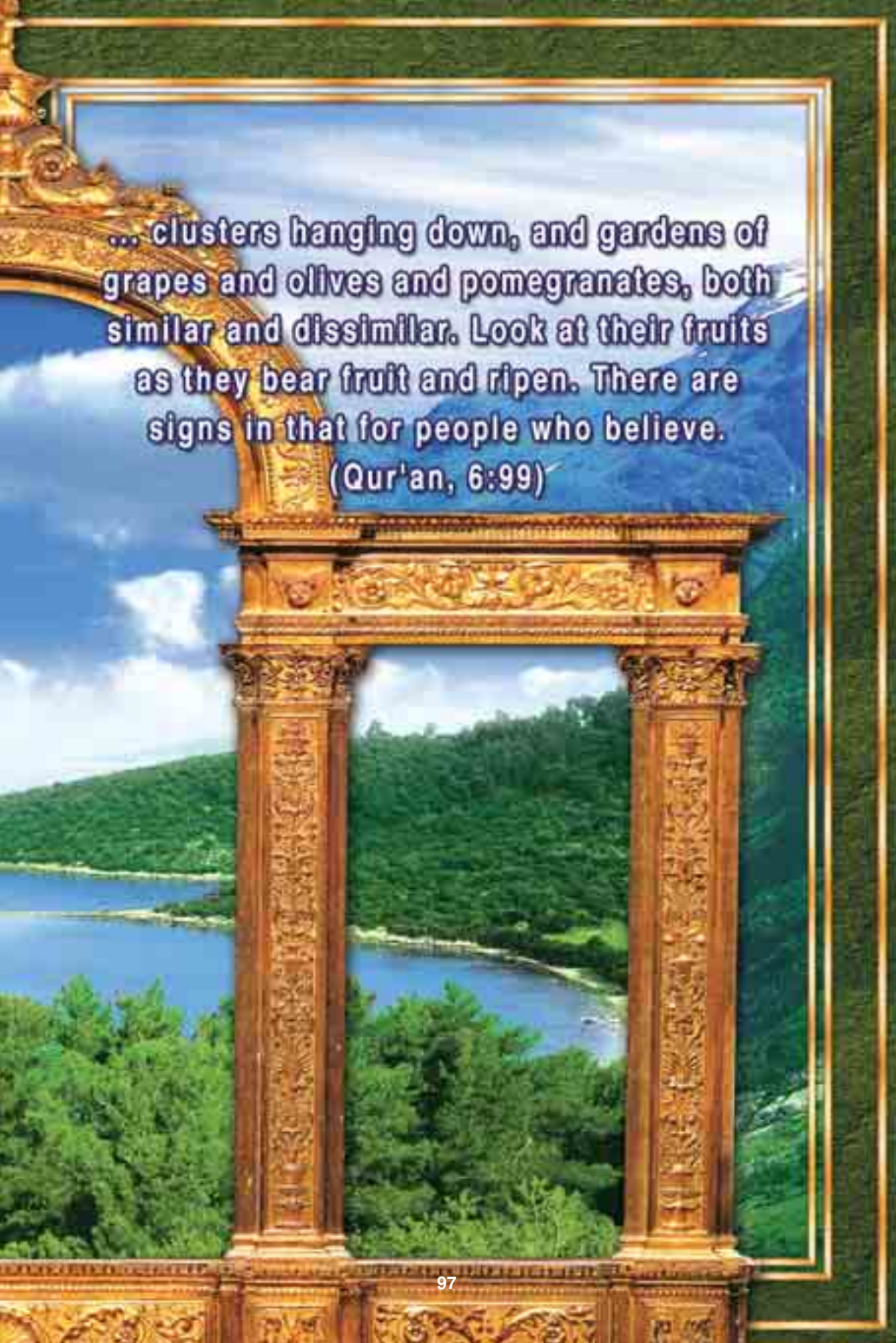
Greatly magnified fossil pollen.



This pollen grain is one of the earliest-known types of angiosperm pollen, from the Cretaceous period (146-65 million years ago). It is produced in exactly the same form by various plants today.



It is He Who sends down water from
the sky from which We bring forth
growth of every kind, and from that We
bring forth the green shoots and from
them We bring forth close-packed
seeds, and from the spathes of the
date palm date...

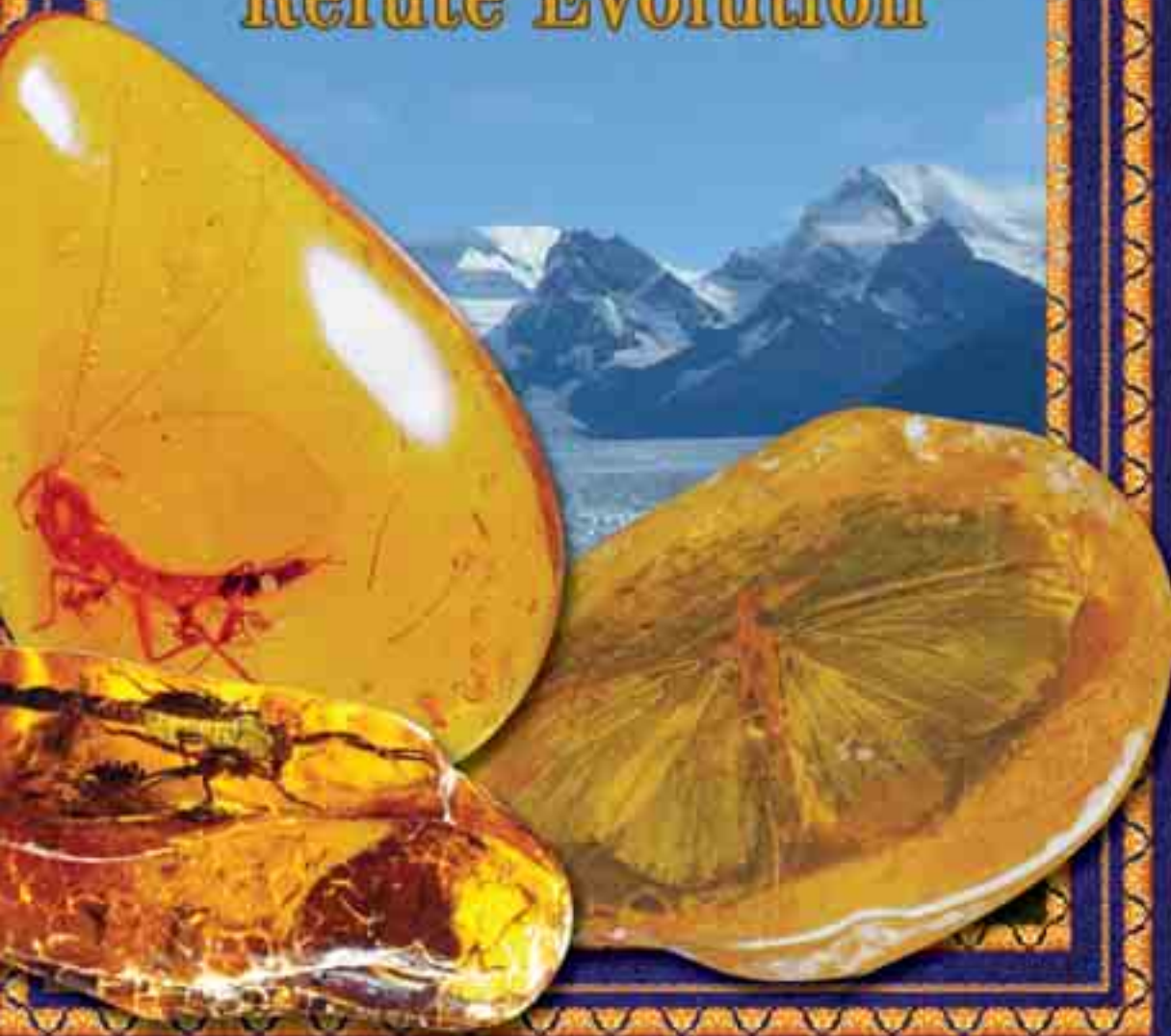
A golden archway with intricate carvings frames a scenic view of a lake and forest. The archway is made of a dark, polished wood with detailed relief work. The view through the arch shows a blue lake surrounded by lush green trees and hills under a blue sky with white clouds. The entire scene is set against a dark green background.

... clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are signs in that for people who believe.

(Qur'an, 6:99)



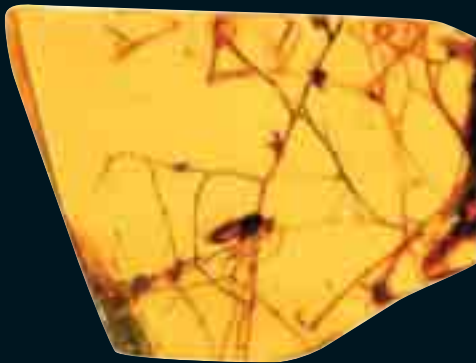
Tens of Thousands of
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Tens of Thousands of Fossils in Amber Refute Evolution

One of the environments in which fossils are best preserved is amber. Clear sap flowed out of various kinds of trees and conifers, engulfing living things and preserving them in their original form. And such “snapshots out of time” reveal a very important fact: Living things have undergone no changes after millions of years. In other words, they never underwent evolution.

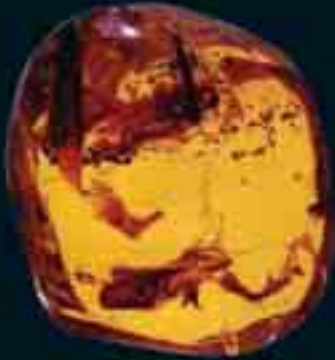
Tens of thousands of fossils embedded in amber show that termites have always been termites. Ants have always been ants, frogs have always been frogs, snakes have always been snakes, butterflies always butterflies, and moths always moths. In short, living things have always existed in the forms they first displayed when they came into the world, with exactly the same features. There is no difference between living things preserved in amber millions of years ago and their present-day counterparts.



Fly, *Dolichopodidae* and cob web.
Baltic amber, 50 million years old.
Sometimes insects snagged in spider webs get trapped in amber. This fly, however, seems to be free of the web.



Spider (order Araneae) preying on a midge (*Chionomidae*).
Baltic amber, 50 million years old.



As can be seen from this 94- to 90-million-year-old fossil frog (*Eleutherothorodactylus*), frogs in the amber are the same as their today's counterparts.



A 94- to 90-million-year-old *Sphaerodactylus* gecko is one of the proofs that living things never underwent evolution.



A 30- to 25-million-year-old fossil centipede is identical to today's centipedes.

50- to 35-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Fungus gnat,
Diptera, 50-35
million years
old.



Long-legged fly,
Diptera, 50-35 mil-
lion years old.

All the fossils in this book are represented by species still living today. This fact proves that Darwinism is a false theory.



**Wasp, *Hymenoptera*,
50-35 million years
old.**



**Spider, 50-35 million
years old.**



**Ant, *Hymenoptera*,
Formicidae, 50-35
million years old.**



Fungus gnat,
Diptera, 50-35 mil-
lion years old.



Beetle, *Coleoptera*,
50-35 million years
old.



Humpbacked fly,
Diptera, 50-35 mil-
lion years old.



Beetle,
Coleoptera, 50-35
million years old.



Fungus gnat,
Diptera, 50-35
million years old.



Wasp,
Hymenoptera, 50-
35 million years
old.



Fungus gnat, 50-35 million years old.



True bug, 50-35 million years old.



Long-legged fly, *Diptera*, 50-35 million years old.

Living things appear fully formed and flawless, in the same form as today's specimens, in the fossil record. In order to verify their theory, advocates of the theory of evolution need to point to billions of intermediate forms that should exist in the fossil record as proof. Yet they are unable to submit a single example of an intermediate form.



**Caterpillar,
Lepidoptera, 50-35
million years old.**



**Spider, 50-35
million years old.**



Beetle, *Coleoptera*,
50-35 million years
old.



True midge, 50-35
million years old.



Wasp, 50-35 million
years old.

Say: "Look at what there is in the heavens
and on the Earth." But signs and warnings
are of no avail to people who have no belief.
(Qur'an, 10:101)



Long-legged fly,
50-35 million years
old.



Midge, 50-35 mil-
lion years old.

50- to 35- Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Beetle larva, 50-35 million years old.



Spider, 50-35 million years old.



Caddis with larva, 50-35 million years old.



Caddis fly, 50-35 million years old.



Beetle, 50-35 million years old.

According to the theory of evolution, half-winged, odd-looking, functionless creatures must have existed on Earth millions of years ago. Yet the fossil record refutes Darwinists. Specimens perfectly preserved in amber have totally demolished the myth of the evolutionary process.



True midge, 50-35 million years old.



True midge, 50-35 million years old.

God has created all living things. Millions-of-year-old fossil specimens have once again revealed this in the most perfect manner. God, the Sublime and Almighty One, is the Creator of all living things.



**Fungus gnat,
50-35 million years
old.**



**Beetle, 50-35 million
years old.**



**Beetle, 50-35 million
years old.**



Spider, 50-35 million years old.



True midge, 50-35 million years old.



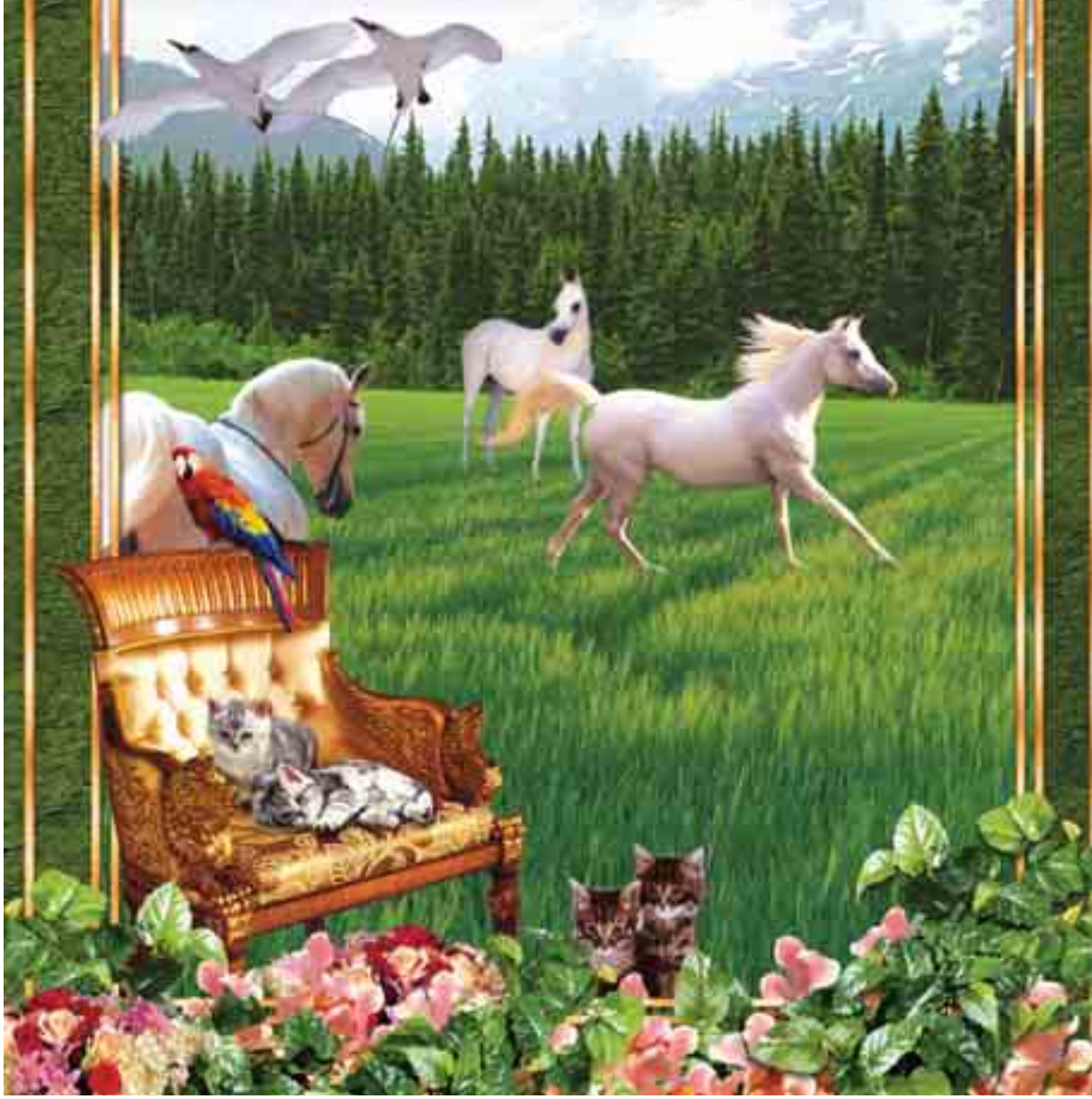
Ant, 50-35 million years old.



A mosquito in Dominican amber, 23-14 million years old.

Flies living some 50 million years ago looked at the world through perfect and highly complex compound eyes and were able to fly using the same perfect mechanism. None of these creatures have ever been subjected to evolution. They all possessed the same flawless equipment 50 million years ago as they do today.

We did not create heaven and Earth and everything in between them as a game. If We had desired to have some amusement, We would have derived it from Our Presence, but We did not do that...



**... Rather We hurl the truth against
falsehood and it cuts right through it and
it vanishes clean away! Woe without end
for you for what you portray!**

(Qur'an, 21: 16-18)





Bristletail (*Archaeognatha*) in Baltic amber, 54-23 million years old.



Springtail (*Collembola*) in Dominican amber, 23-14 million years old.



Crane fly, 50-35 million years old.



Ant, 50-35 million years old.



Spider, 50-35 million years old.

50- to 35- Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Spider, Family *Uloboridae*, 50-35 million years old.



Spider's web, 50-35 million years old.



Twisted-wing insect (*Strepsiptera*), 50-35 million years old.



A crane fly with about 20 mites, 50-35 million years old.



Cicada nymph, 50-35 million years old.



Ant, 50-35 million years old.



Rove beetle, 50-35 million years old.



Spider with web, 50-35 million years old.



A moth and an ant head, 24 million years old.



A 38- to 23-million-year old wasp in Dominican amber.

The fossil record contains not a single example of the imaginary "intermediate" species or missing links—which evolutionists claim must have existed. Fossils demonstrate that plants and animals that lived millions of years ago are structurally the same as their counterparts today.



Beetle, 50-35 million years old.



Spider, 50-35 million years old.



True midge, 50-35 million years old.



Spider, 50-35 million years old.



Fungus gnat, 50-35 million years old.



Dance fly, 50-35 million years old.



Termite, 50-35 million years old.



Beetle larva, 50-35 million years old.



Sand fly, 50-35 million years old.



Parasitic mite larva on a long-legged fly (*Diptera Dolichopodidae*).

And in your creation and all the
creatures He has spread about there
are signs for people with certainty.
(Qur'an, 45:4)



A cricket, *Orthoptera*, in a 24-million-year old Dominican amber.



A large fly in a 24-million-year old Dominican amber.



A male winged ant, *Hymenoptera*, *Formicidae*, 25 million years old.

Insect, fly, and wasp fossils from some 50 million years ago represent a major challenge to Darwinism. According to the theory of evolution, these creatures went through an imaginary process of evolution and should have acquired intermediate-form characteristics. Yet they are identical to members of the same species today. This is definitive proof that living things never underwent evolutionary changes.



An adult planthopper in a 24-million-year old Dominican amber.

Darwinism: The Most Twisted Religion in History

Bees, grasshoppers, mosquitoes, flies, midges—everyone is familiar with these and similar insect species. One frequently comes across these tiny creatures in gardens, on the street and even in houses. These tiny animals have remained unchanged for the last 200 million years. Evolutionists claim that these creatures must have turned into strange and unusual life forms during the imaginary evolutionary process. Yet this never happened, and living fossils are clear proof of this.

Had this actually happened—if the fossil record everywhere were full of intermediate forms... Had these living fossils continued their development, as evolutionists maintain, then those evolutionists would have published books full of the evidence for this. And they would have claimed that these specimens represented incontrovertible proof of their theory. Yet they are silent in the face of the fact that all these millions of pieces of evidence represent not evolution, but creation.

There are millions of clear proofs of creation. That the obstinate continue to ignore this in their fanatical support of Darwinism, this illogical religion, the most primitive and twisted in history, is a most astonishing phenomenon of the century. Future generations will be amazed and astonished at this.



Everyone in the heavens and Earth
belongs to Him. All are submissive to
Him. It is He Who originated creation and
then regenerates it. That is very easy for
Him. His is the most exalted designation
in the heavens and the Earth. He is the
Almighty, the All-Wise.

(Qur'an, 30: 26-27)





Crane fly, 50-35 million years old.



Fungus gnat, 50-35 million years old.



True midge, 50-35 million years old.

**Humanity! Worship your Lord,
Who created you and those before you,
so that hopefully you will guard against evil.
(Qur'an, 2:21)**



A large termite in Dominican amber, 23-14 million years old.



Amber with rare water strider insect. There is a water strider and two dipterans in this fossil amber, 5 million - 11,000 years old.



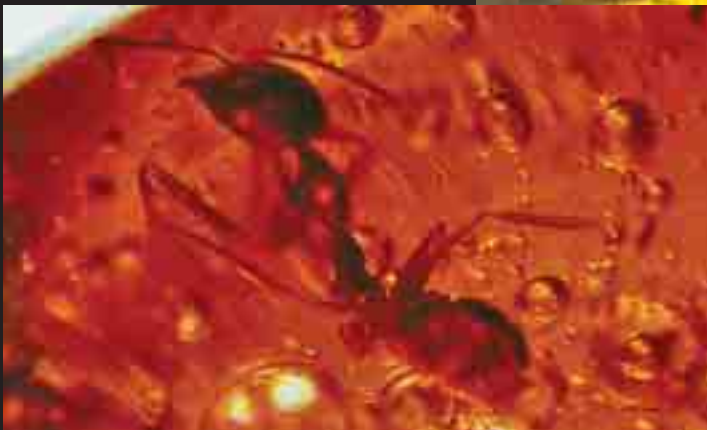
A wasp in Dominican amber, 24 million years old.



A crab spider (*Thomisidae*) in Baltic amber, 50-35 million years old.



A 24-million-year-old fossil worker ant in Dominican amber.





A winged termite, 24 million years old.



A plant bug, *Heteroptera*, in a 24-million-year-old Dominican amber.



A fossil spider in Baltic amber, 50-35 million years old.



A fossil midge, 50-35 million years old.



A Fossil Insect from the Dominican Republic, 23.8-5.3 Million Years Old.



DOMINICAN AMBER

**A Fossil Insect from Africa,
5.3-1.8 Million Years Old.**



AFRICAN AMBER

Fossil Insects in Dominican amber...



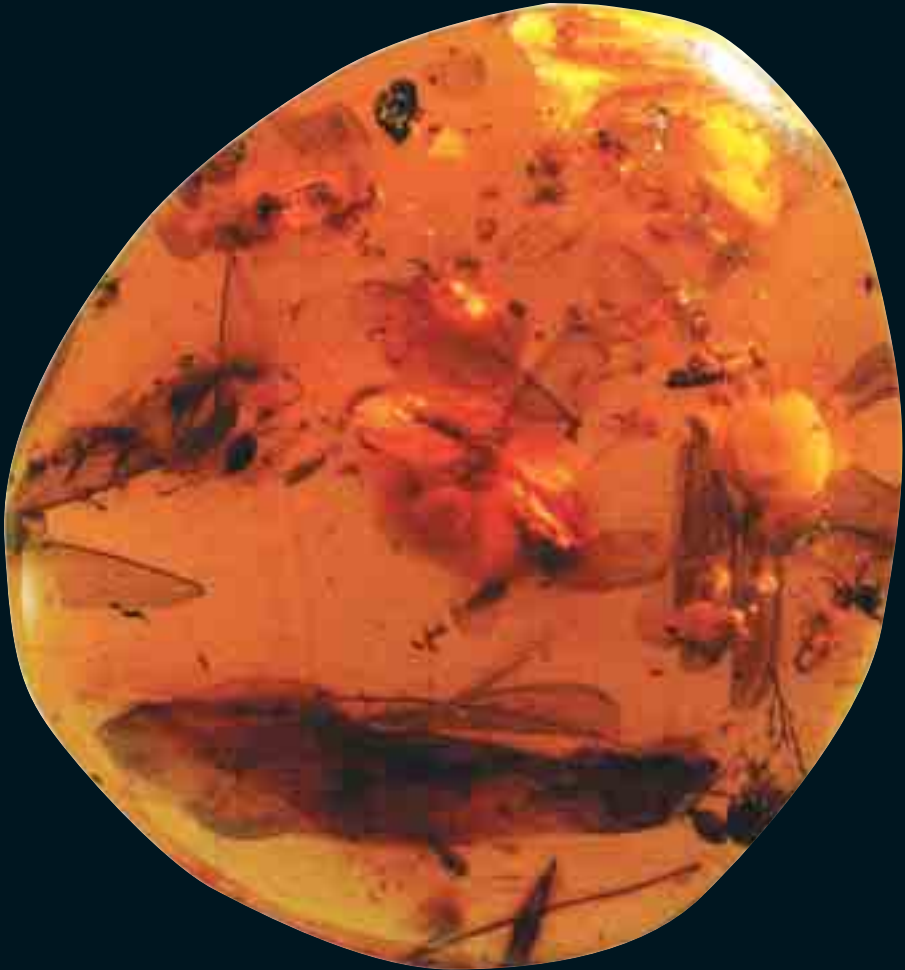
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DOMINICAN AMBER

A 25-Million-Year-Old Fossil Insect in Amber



Beetles, 25 million years old.

AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

A 25-Million-Year-Old Amber



Three ants attacking a mantis, 25 million years old.

A 25-Million-Year-Old Fossil Mantis in Amber



A 30- to 25-Million-Year-Old Fossil Termite in Amber

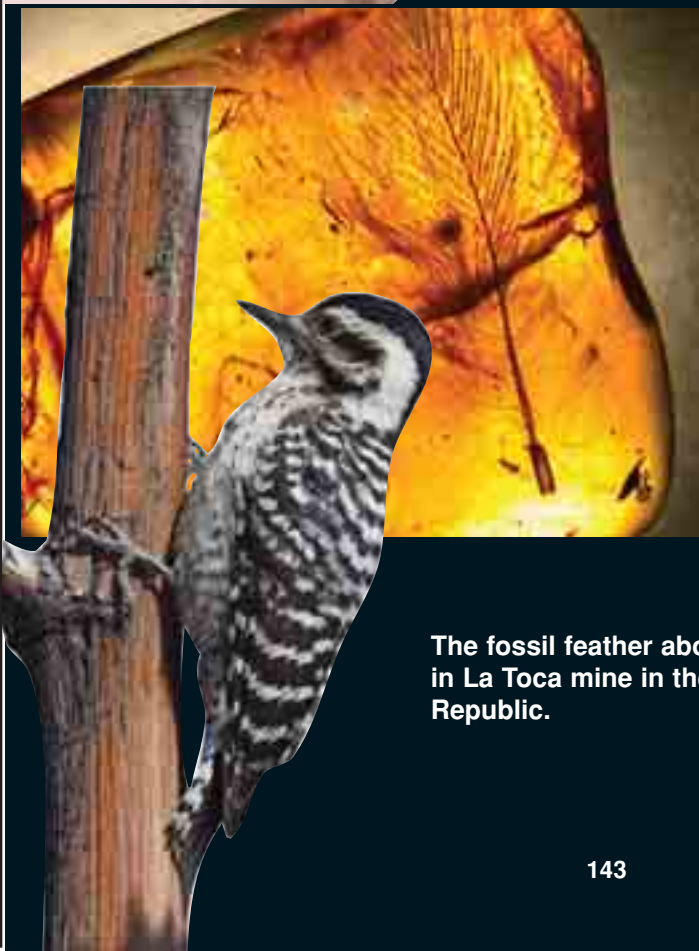


**Everything in the heavens and Earth belongs to Him, and the religion belongs to Him, firmly and for ever. So why do you fear anyone other than God?
(Qur'an, 16:52)**

A 30-million-year-old lizard in amber.



**A 20-Million-Year-Old
Feather in Amber.**



**The fossil feather above was found
in La Toca mine in the Dominican
Republic.**

25-Million-Year-Old Dominican Amber



Two gall midges and a spider's web in Dominican amber.



A female noseum in Lebanese amber roughly 120 million years old.

A 24-million-year-old fossil moth.



A Fossil Spider Estimated at 20 Million Years Old, Preserved in Amber Along with Its Own Blood



This fossil spider, preserved along with its own blood in amber that's estimated to be roughly 20 million years old, represents one of the most important discoveries of this new century. A statement issued by Manchester University announced that the spider, 4 centimeters long and 2 centimeters wide, is no different from today's spiders. It is hoped that the arachnid's blood, preserved in amber together with the spider can be used to extract the animal's DNA—which should prove conclusively that the spider is no different from its present-day counterparts.



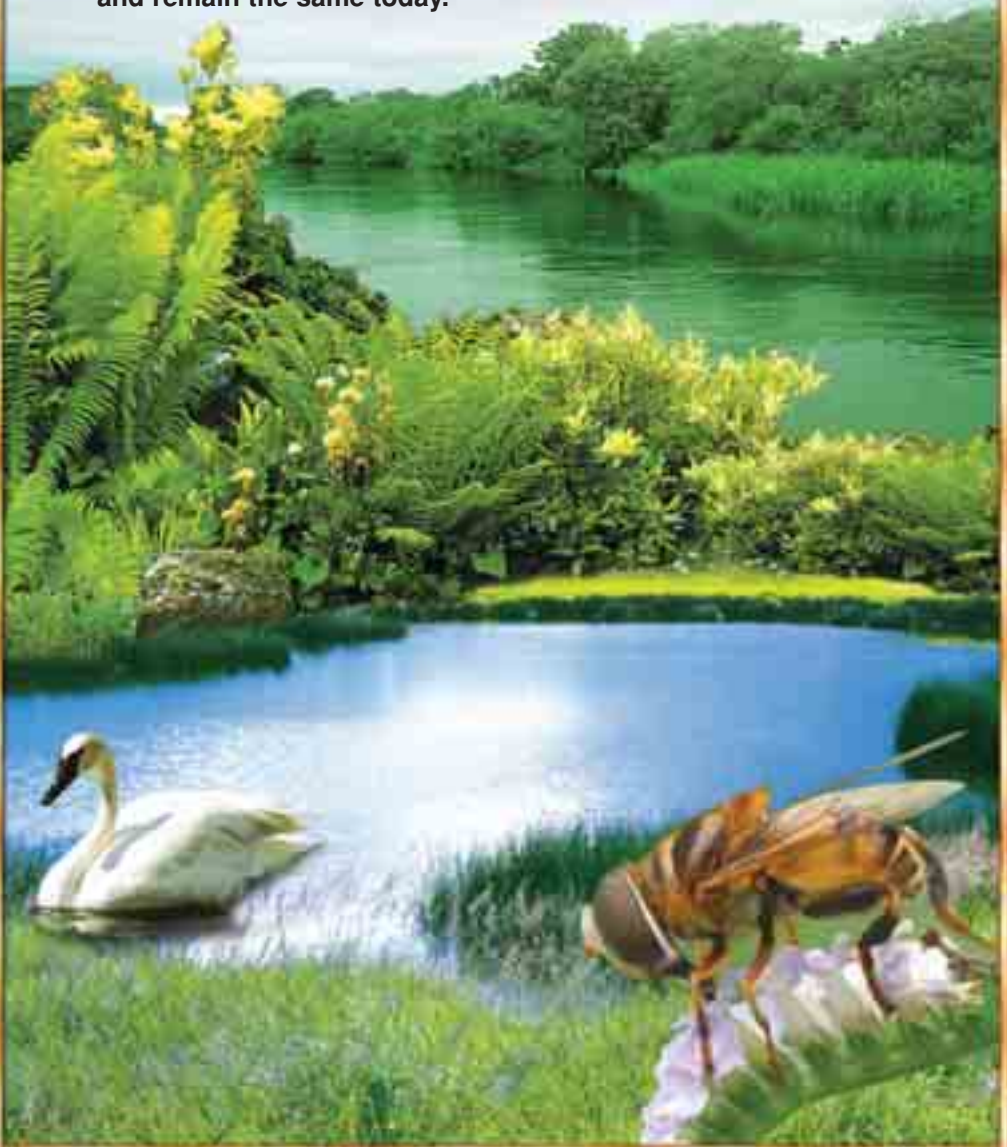
A 40-million- year-old fossil midge.



A parasitoid wasp in New Jersey amber, 94 to 90 million years old.



The Earth contains vast numbers of very different species. These living things have been equipped with complex features that entirely eliminate Darwinism. Darwinists are unable to account for this, and fossils of living things that were perfectly formed millions of years ago leave them floundering. Living fossils that go back millions of years reveal that life never evolved, and that the theory of evolution is an invalid one devoid of any supporting evidence. Living things, with all their complex properties and features unique to their different species, are miracles created by God, millions of years ago, and remain the same today.



24-Million-Year-Old Dominican Amber



Planthopper, 24 million years old.



Beetle, *Coleoptera*, 24 million years old.



Planthopper, 24 million years old.



Beetle, *Coleoptera*, 24 million years old.



A winged termite, *Isoptera*, 24 million years old.



A large spider, a wood gnat, a fly and a mite in a 24-million-year-old Dominican amber.



A large mosquito, 24 million years old.



A winged termite, a female worker ant and beetle larvae, 24 million years old.



An ant, *Formicidae*, 24 million years old.



A mite, 24 million years old.





Pseudoscorpion, 24 million years old.



Pseudoscorpion, 24 million years old.



Bark lice, *Psocoptera*, 24 million years old.



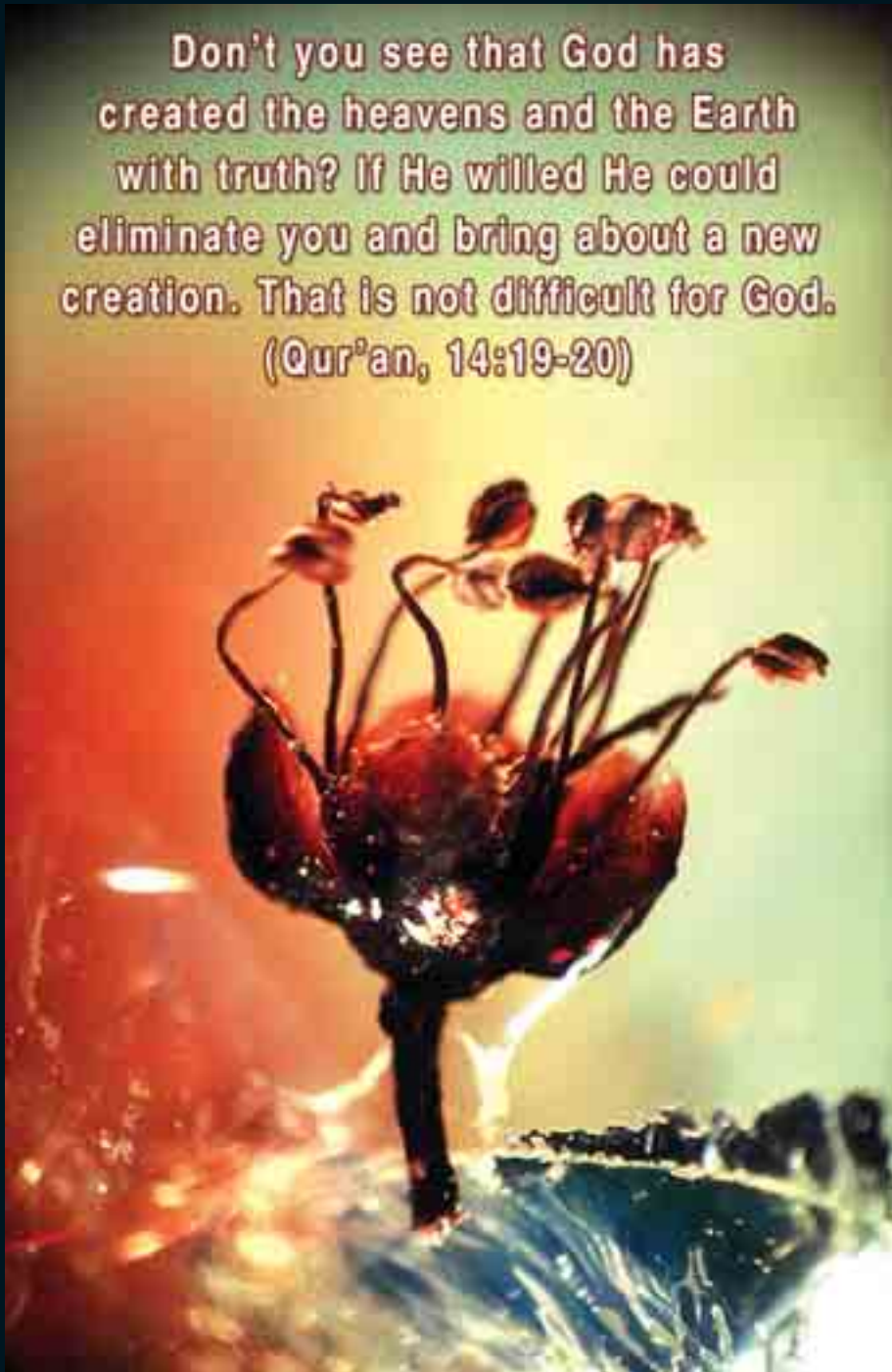
Psyllid, 24 million years old.



A lizard from La Torca, the Dominican Republic, a larva and numerous flies.

A 130-Million-Year-Old Flower in Lebanese Amber.

Don't you see that God has
created the heavens and the Earth
with truth? If He willed He could
eliminate you and bring about a new
creation. That is not difficult for God.
(Qur'an, 14:19-20)



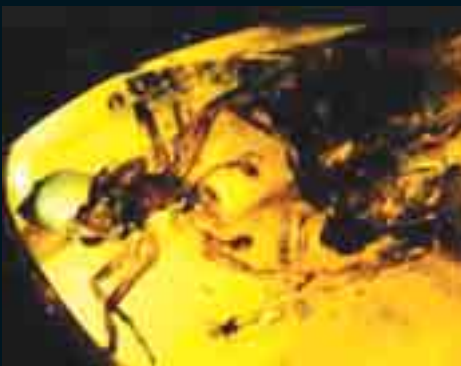
50- to 35-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



A couple of flies, *Diptera*, 50 to 35 million years old.



This tiny aphid expelled his proboscis after getting stuck in the sap, 50 to 35 million years ago.



Spider, *Heteropodidae*, 50-35 million years old.



Spider, *Nesticidae*, 50-35 million years old.



A pseudoscorpion in 30 million year old Dominican amber.

... Glory be to You! We have no knowledge except what You have taught us. You are the All-Knowing, the All-Wise.
(Qur'an, 2:32)



Ant, 50-35 million years old.

Living things have been fossilized millions of years ago. Since these fossils are the same as today's living things, they refute Darwinism's hypothesis of "intermediate forms."

Lebanese Amber Fossils, Between 140 and 110 Million Years Old



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Insects Identical to These Entombed in Amber Are Still Living Today.



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Don't they see that God, Who created the heavens and Earth, has the power to create the like of them, and has appointed fixed terms for them of which there is no doubt? But the wrongdoers still spurn anything but disbelief. (Qur'an, 17:99)

God, Who created all things from nothing, has the power to create every living thing, with the most complex and sublime features, at whatever time and in whatever form He chooses. Darwinism has collapsed in the face of this truth.



25- to 20-Million-Year-Old Amber Fossils



Two beetle species in Dominican amber, approximately 25 to 20 million years old.



A 25- to 20-million-year-old fossil insect. Insects sometimes managed to escape being entrapped in resin by leaving their body parts such as legs or wings.



Sciariid flies are common today and were common in the tropical amber forests millions of years ago. This 25- to 20-million-year old inclusion shows some good preservation of structural detail such as legs, wings and compound eyes.

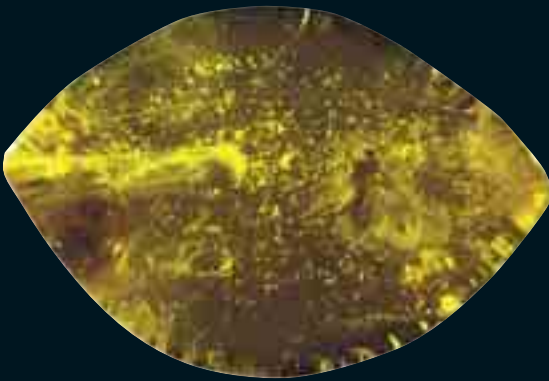


Fossil bark louse in Dominican amber, approximately 25 million years old. It is perfectly preserved so that even its antennal hairs and its wing pigmentation were kept.



A tiny parasitic wasp in Baltic amber, approximately 40 to 35 million years old. The wings, antennae, complex eyes and joints are completely preserved.

*It Is He Who created the heavens and the Earth
with truth. The day He says "Be!" It Is. His
speech Is Truth. The Kingdom will be His on the
day the trumpet is blown, the Knower of the
Unseen and the Visible. He Is the
All-Wise, the All-Aware.
(Qur'an, 6:73)*



**A 40-million-year-old
Baltic amber containing
a tiny fly.**



**A tiny grasshopper within
35- to 30-million-year-old
Baltic amber. By the
physical and chemical
processes involved in the
resin's transformation in-
to amber, the grasshop-
per assumes both the
golden color and the con-
sistency of the material in
which it is embedded.**



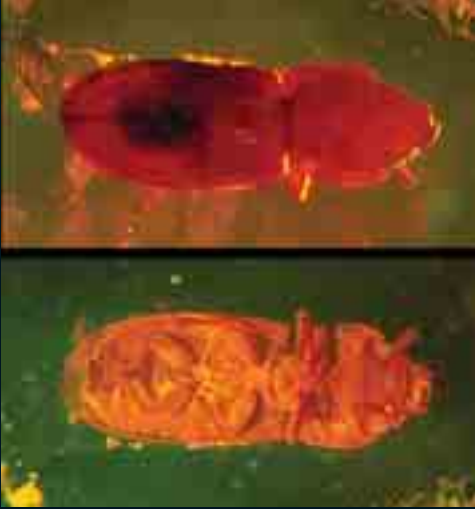
A very small fossil mite in Baltic amber, 50 to 35 million years old.



Larva of hoverfly (syrphid) in Baltic amber, approximately 40 to 30 million years old.



Neotropical ant in Dominican amber, approximately 25 to 20 million years old. Some parts of this worker ant's legs are missing, but an eye and its body hairs are still present.



A small fossil beetle dating back 25 to 20 million years. The external bodily details are particularly well preserved.



A wind scorpion in a 25- to 20-million-year-old Dominican amber.



A fossil lizard, 50 to 35 million years old.



A 25-million-year-old fungus gnat. This specimen is very well preserved with its eyes and other structural details.



A long-legged fly in a 50- to 35-million-year-old Baltic amber.



Fossilized spider and fly dating back 25 to 20 million years. The spider is the predator, and the fly its prey.



The inclusion in an approximately 25-million-year-old Dominican amber looks like a winged ant, but is actually a parasitic wasp.



A winged termite in Baltic amber. Since termites can consume and utilize the cellulose in wood as a nutrient, they are common inhabitants of the forests such as this Baltic amber forest 45 to 30 million years ago.



A fossil fly in a 50- to 35-million-year-old Baltic amber. The external surface details of its body are very well defined.



A scorpion in Dominican amber, measuring over 4 centimeters, is approximately 20 to 15 million years old. This scorpion has lost its pincers and its head but the rest is very well preserved. It is not any different at all from the ones living today.



A fossil tropical millipede could not free itself, even though it had many legs. This Dominican amber is approximately 25 million years old.



*Yes, everything in the heavens and
Earth belongs to God. Yes, God's
promise is true but most of them do not
know it. He gives life and causes to die
and you will be returned to Him.
(Qur'an, 10:55-56)*

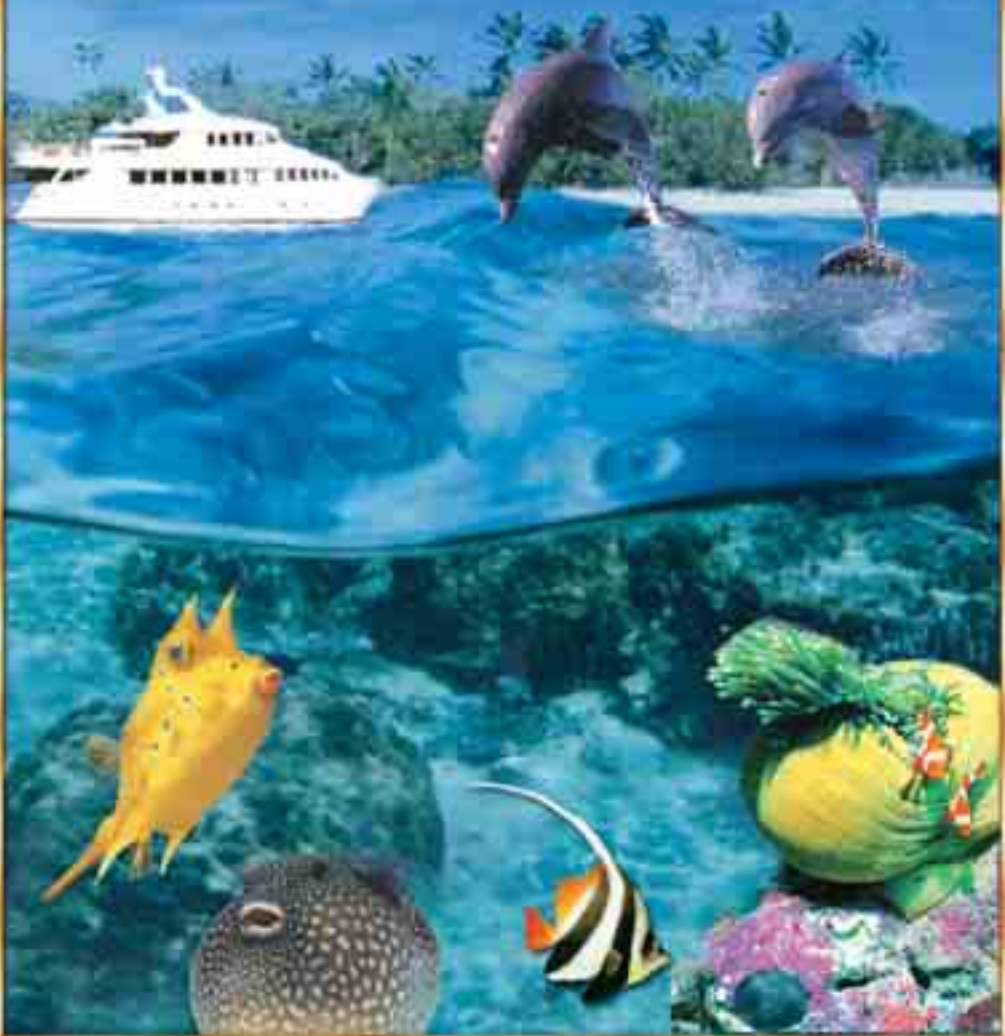
A tiny frog in 25-million-year-old amber.





**Our Word to a thing when We desire it
is just to say to it "Be!" and it is.
(Qur'an, 16:40)**

God is the Lord and Creator of all living things. Darwinists deny this fact and ignore that the perfect features in these living things clearly reveal the fact of creation. However, paleontology and the complex features in living things point to a single truth: Living things are all manifestations of God's might and supreme power.



Various Fossil Insects in Amber



There are numerous insects in this amber: A planthopper, a sandfly, an ant and a tiny wasp. Age: From the Pliocene (5 to 1.8 million years ago) to the Pleistocene (1.8 million to 11,000 years ago).



A Fossil Wood Louse in Amber



This amber includes an inclusion known as a wood louse. Also, there are a couple of tiny wasps, an ant, several flies and a 3-mm bug, *Hemiptera*. Age: From the Pliocene (5 to 1.8 million years ago) to the Pleistocene (1.8 million to 11,000 years ago).



Phasmida in Amber



Phasmida is not the only inclusion in the amber. Within the same amber are also five dipterans, a tiny spider and a flying isopteran. Age: From the Pliocene (5 to 1.8 million years ago) to the Pleistocene (1.8 million to 11,000 years ago).



Fossil Mantis in Amber



Age: From the Pliocene (5 to 1.8 million years ago) to the Pleistocene (1.8 million to 11,000 years ago).



50- to 35-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Flying ant, *Formicidae*, 50 to 35 million years old.



Fly, 50 to 35 million years old.



Beetle, *Carabidae*, 50 to 35 million years old.



Fly, *Muscidae*, 50 to 35 million years old.





Fly, *Diptera*, 50 to 35 million years old.



Cockroach, 50 to 35 million years old.



Caddis, two flies, a spider eating one of the flies, a mite, a click beetle, 50 to 35 million years old.



Spider, 50 to 35 million years old.



50- to 35-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Two flies, 50 to 35 million years old.



A mite, 50 to 35 million years old.



A winged ant, 50 to 35 million years old.



An aphid carried by an ant, 50 to 35 million years old.



A beetle, 50 to 35 million years old.



A spider, 50 to 35 million years old.



Tailless whip scorpion, approximately 24 million years old in Dominican amber.

A Dozen Flowers in 24-Million-Year-Old Amber



There are more than a dozen flowers in the amber in the picture. These are lupins and are 24 million years old.



A Lizard in 25-Million-Year-Old Amber

This newly hatched baby lizard is 25 million years old.





24-million-year-old fossil flies (*Diptera*).

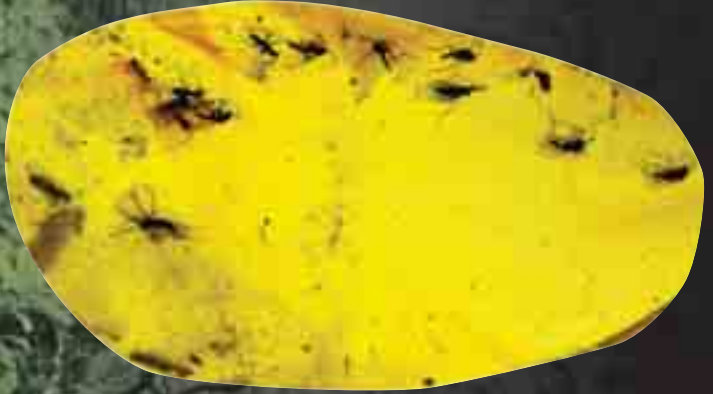


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24-Million-Year-Old Fossil Flies



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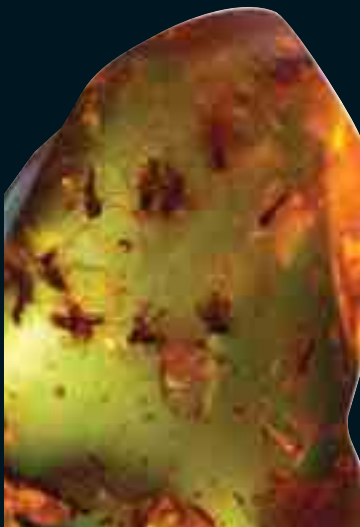
50-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber with Inclusions



A web, 50 million years old.



Cockroach larva, 50 million years old.



This 50-million-year-old amber contains numerous creatures.

The theory of evolution has been consigned to history, and living fossils are the greatest proofs of this.

A very well preserved fossil spider, a few millimeters long, 50 million years old.

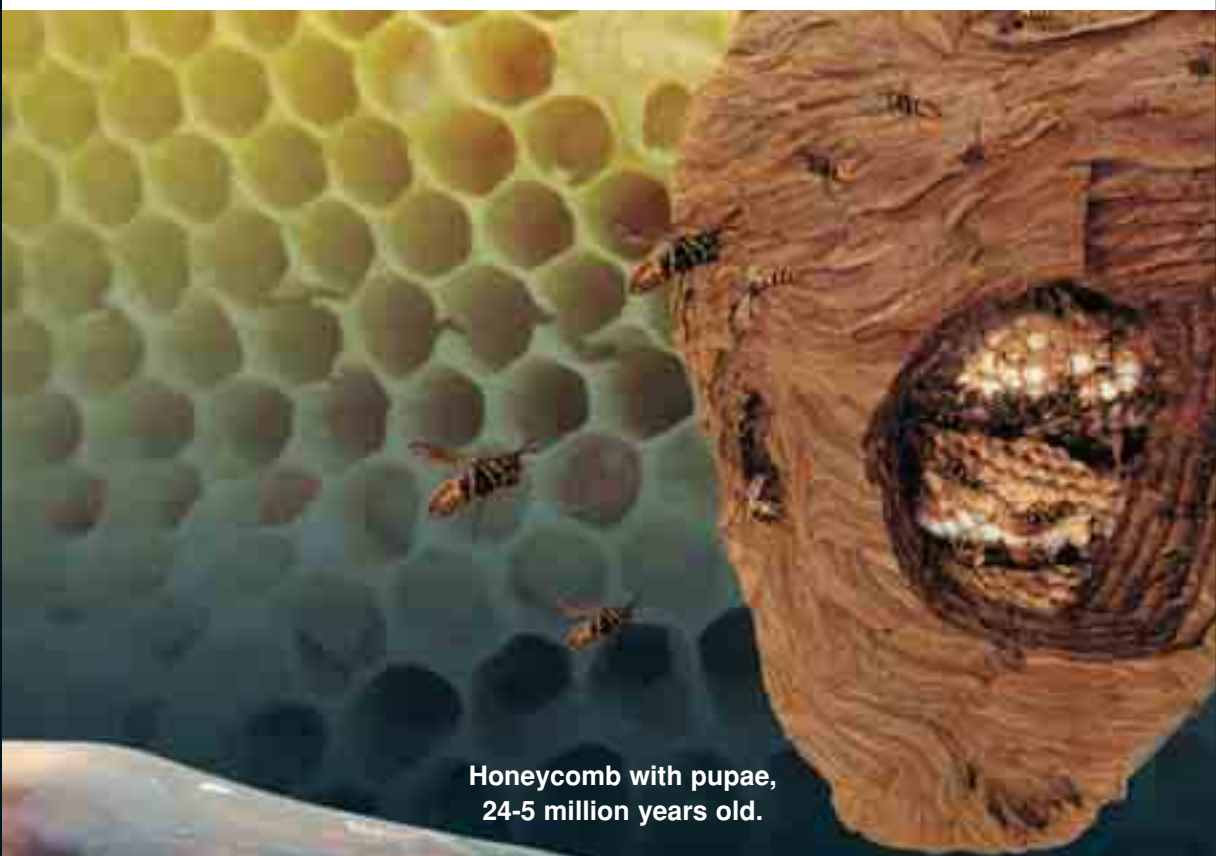


A fossil spider, 50 million years old.



A fossil beetle, 50 million years old.





Honeycomb with pupae,
24-5 million years old.



**24- to 5-Million-
Year-Old
Dominican Amber**



Tropical stingless bee, *Hymenoptera*.

Don't you know that God knows everything in heaven and Earth? That is in a Book. That is easy for God. They worship besides God something for which no authority has come down, something about which they have no knowledge. There is no helper for the wrongdoers.
(Qur'an, 22:70-71)

50- to 40-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Fungus gnat, 50 to 40 million years old.



Caddis fly, 50 to 40 million years old.

50-Million-Year-Old Baltic Amber



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.



Two fossil flies (*Diptera*), in one piece of amber, 50 million years old.



Two fossil flies, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil spider, *Araneae*, dating back 50 million years, is identical to present-day spiders.

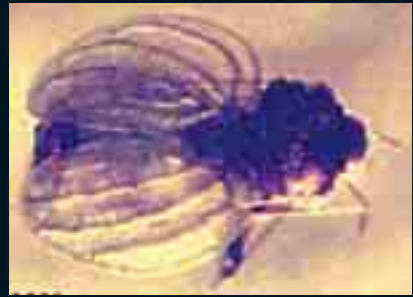


Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.

**Everything in the heavens and Earth
belongs to God. God is the Rich
Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy.
(Qur'an, 31:26)**



Fossil plant bug, *Heteroptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil psocid, *Psocoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil *Hymenoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil butterfly, *Lepidoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.

**These Living
Things Have Not
Changed At All
over Millions of
Years.**



**Two fossil flies,
Diptera, 50 mil-
lion years old.**



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



**No Such Process
as Evolution
Ever Took Place.**



**Fossil crane fly,
50 million years
old.**



**Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million
years old.**



**Fossil aphid, *Aphidoidea*, 50
million years old.**





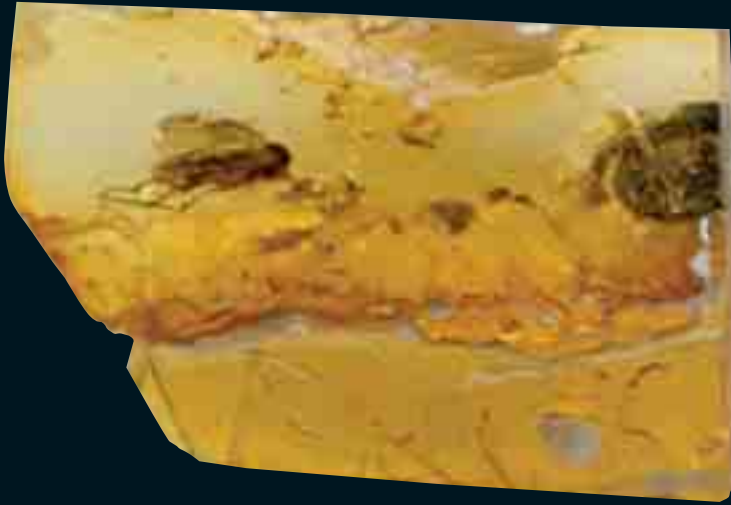
Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil psocid, *Psocoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.

**These Living
Things Are the
Kind We See All
the Time in Our
Gardens or in the
Street.**



**Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million
years old.**



**Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million
years old.**



**Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million
years old.**



**Fossil butterfly, *Lepidoptera*,
50 million years old.**

Every fossil concealed inside a piece of amber is a manifestation of the sublime artistry exhibited by God over millions of years.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.

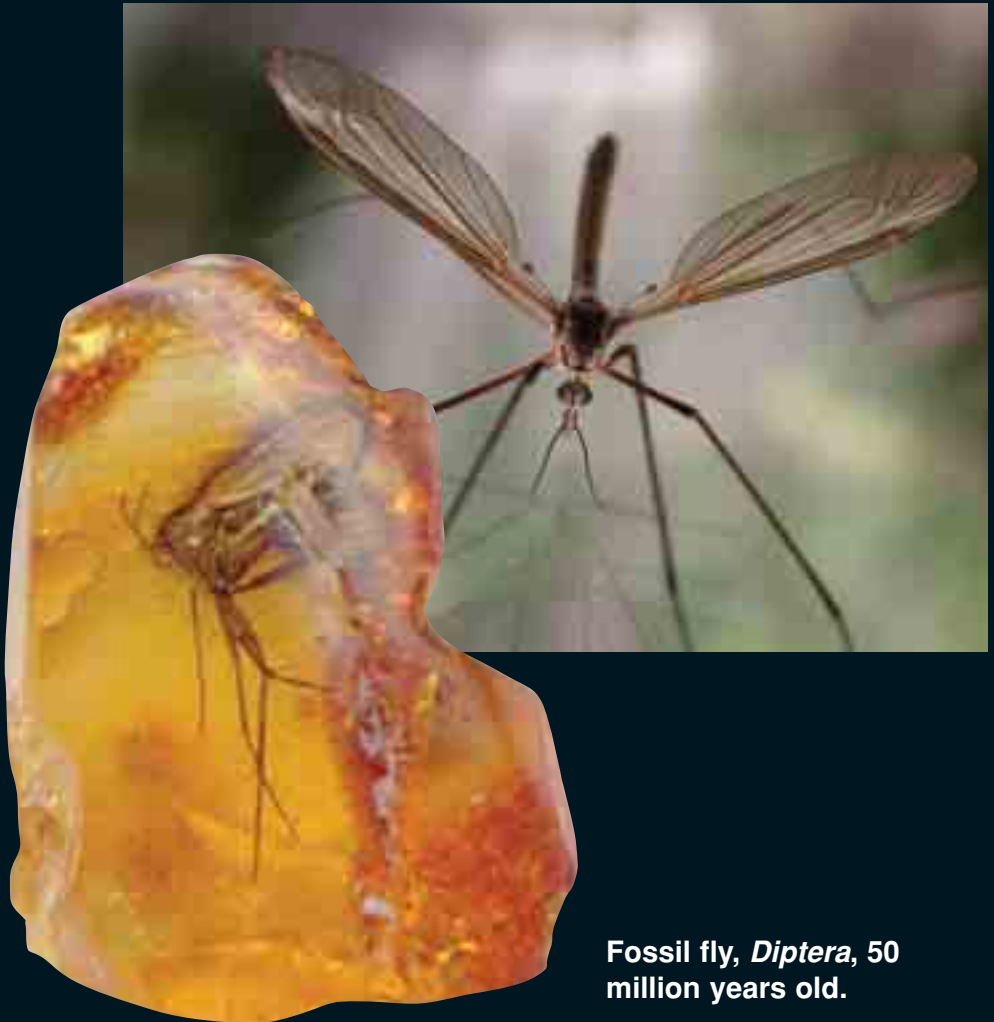


Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.

Humanity! An example has been made, so listen to it carefully. Those whom you call upon besides God are not even able to create a single fly, even if they were to join together to do it. And if a fly steals something from them, they cannot get it back. How feeble are both the seeker and the sought!
(Qur'an, 22:73)



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.

Evolutionists seek to make people believe that millions of years ago the Earth was a very different place, filled with strange creatures. Yet the same insects were flying millions of years ago as are flying today. The same fish were swimming, and the same spiders were spinning webs. God, Who creates them now in the most perfect form, has the power to create the same perfection whenever He wills.



Fossil psocid, *Psocoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.

What is in the heavens and In the Earth
belongs to God. God encompasses all things.
(Qur'an, 4:126)



**Fossil fly,
Diptera, 50
million years
old.**

**Fossil
Hymenoptera,
50 million
years old.**



Not A Single Example of An Intermediate Form Has Ever Been Discovered among Fossil Findings.

Fossil pseudoscorpion, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.

Had evolutionists encountered a single intermediate form among all the countless fossils they have obtained—something which is in any case impossible—they would have doubtless used this as evidence and written countless numbers of books about it. There is only one reason why evolutionists are silent on the subject of the fossil record: that all fossils proclaim the fact of creation.



Fossil termite, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



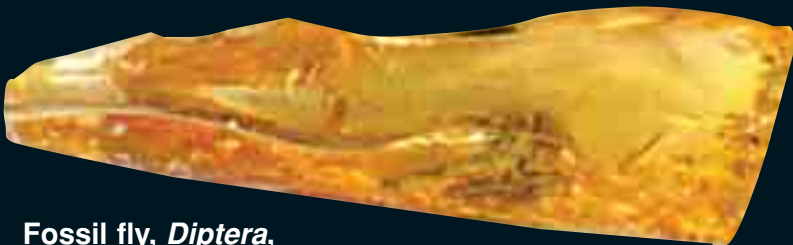
Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old. Three fossil flies in the same piece of amber.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Three fossil flies, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil beetle, *Coleoptera*, 50 million years old.

Fossils that Are Tens of Millions of Years Old Are Identical to Present-Day Specimens.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.

**This Is God's creation. Show me then
what those besides Him have created!
The wrongdoers are clearly misguided.
(Qur'an, 31:11)**



Fossil ant,
Formicidae, 50
million years old.



Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.



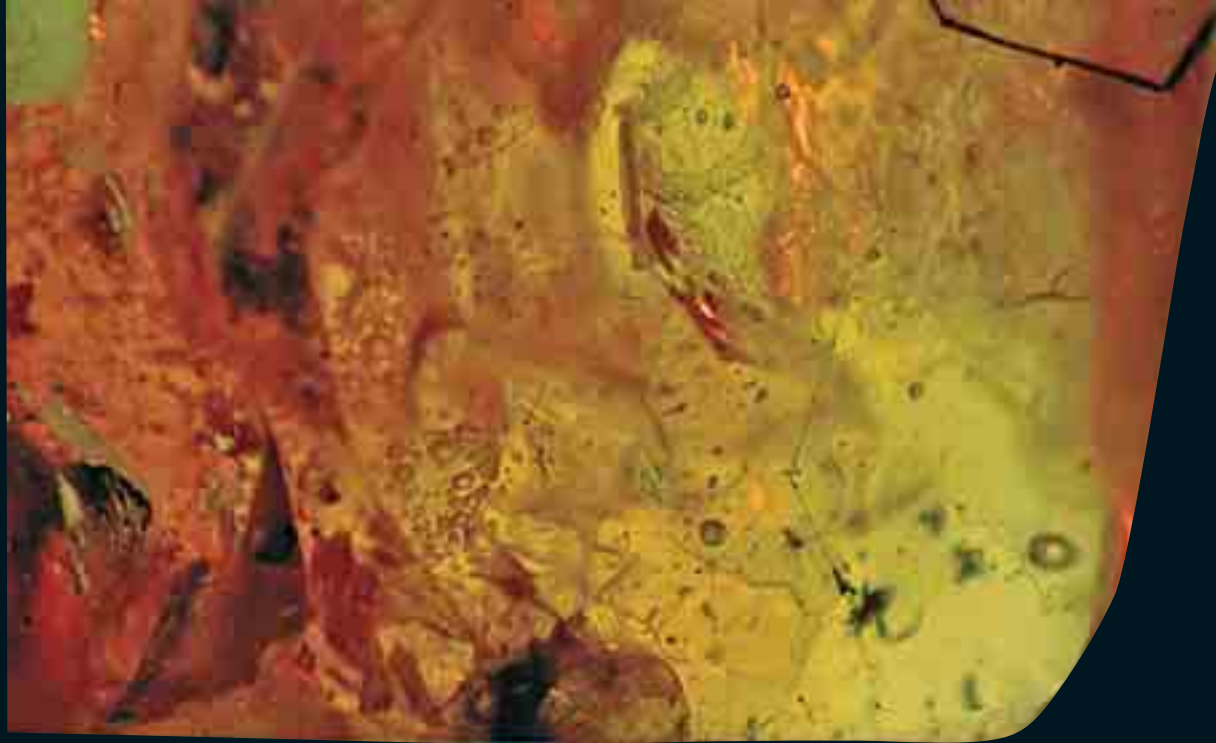
Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



Fossil ant, *Formicidae*, 50 million years old.



Spider web, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.



A cobweb, a spider, one mite, one social wasp, several oak hairs, spider's web, spider and wasp fossils all embedded in this amber, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Tipulomorpha*, 50 million years old.

The Earth perfectly preserved the fossils it has contained for millions of years. Countless fossils collected from all over the world reveal the most important truth, that all living things are the work of Almighty God.



Fossil thuja, 50 million years old.



Fossil aphid, *Aphidoidea*, 50 million years old.



Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.

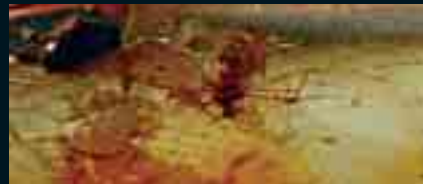


Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.

The Fossil Record Has Shown the Fact of Creation. That Is the Sole Reason for Evolutionists' Silence on the Matter.



Fossil spider, *Araneae*, 50 million years old.

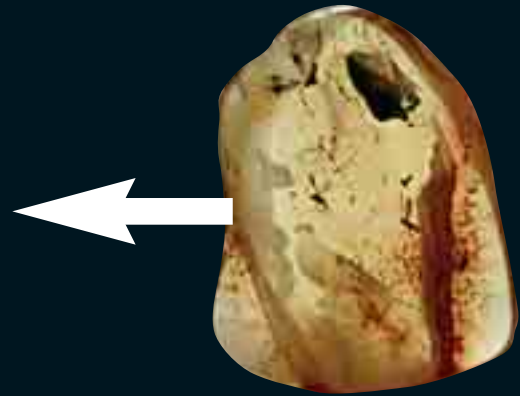


A moth fly, with a few oak hairs present. 50 million years old.



Fossil fly, *Diptera*, 50 million years old.



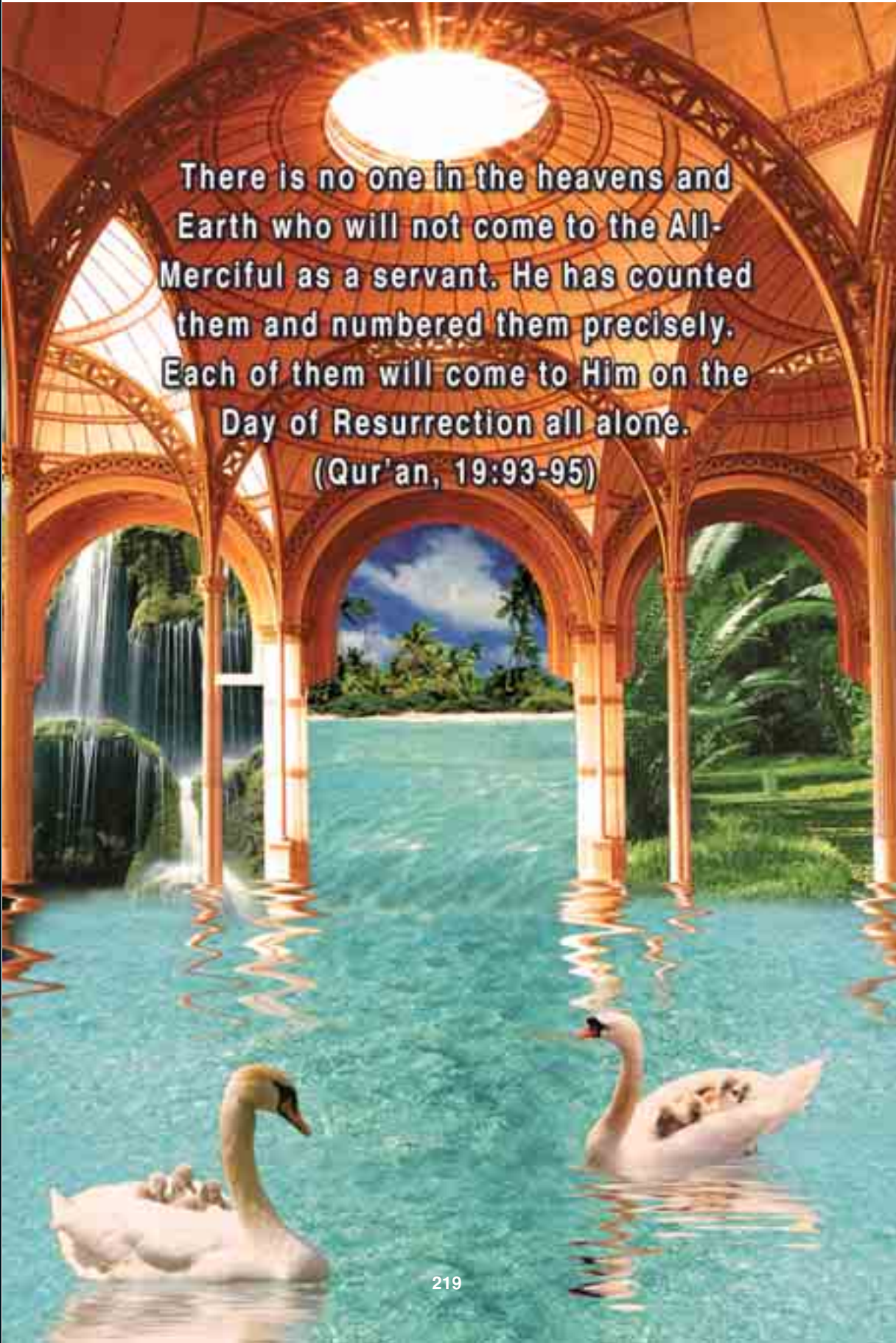


Above: Three well-preserved fungus gnats on the inside and one half fungus gnat (legs and abdomen) preserved at the surface, 50 million years old. *Left:* A magnified view of the amber.

Darwinism's claim of transition is a falsehood. As today's living fossils prove, living things did not evolve. The present-day Earth is teeming with species that existed in their current form millions of years ago. However, not one example of Darwinism's imaginary intermediate forms has yet been unearthed.



Two very good dipteran inclusions, also numerous stellate oak-hairs, 50 million years old. Right: A magnified view of the amber.



There is no one in the heavens and Earth who will not come to the All-Merciful as a servant. He has counted them and numbered them precisely. Each of them will come to Him on the Day of Resurrection all alone.

((Qur'an, 19:93-95))



**Evolution Is A Lie.
Living Things
Have Never
Undergone Any
Changes.**

**A fossil fly, 50 million
years old.**



**Midges and lots of mites,
50 million years old.**



**A midge, 50 million years
old. *Right:* A magnified view
of the amber.**





A fossil spider, 50 million years old, and a magnified view of the amber (top).

No living thing has ever undergone any supposed evolutionary progress, despite what Darwin claimed and his followers maintain. Living fossils decisively refute evolution.



Fungus gnats, 50 million years old.



Three fungus gnats, 50 million years old. *Right:* A magnified view of the amber.



A 24-million-year-old winged termite.

Two spiders and a large portion of an ant; abundant oak hairs. Two spiders and an ant fossilized in amber (50 million years old).



A spider fossil and fossilized root fragments. (50 million years old.)



A female fungus gnat and a few oak hairs, 50 million years old.



These creatures, which lived on the Earth millions of years ago under the conditions at that time, have survived unchanged down to the present day. Millions of generations have passed away in the meantime, but these fossil species are identical to their present-day counterparts. Evolution via "survival of the fittest" as claimed by Darwin and his followers never took place. All these present-day living fossils clearly demonstrate the stasis in the history of life.



A fossil moth, laying eggs as it died.



Moths have remained unchanged for millions of years. This fossil moth in amber is one proof of this.



A queen ant, carrying a scale insect in her jaws.



A chironomid midge with a mite clinging to its abdomen.



Lacewing (*Neuroptera*).



Cypress twig (*Thuja*).

A May Fly in Amber

Mayflies do not live long, they live a couple of hours to several days.
Right: A mayfly entrapped in amber.





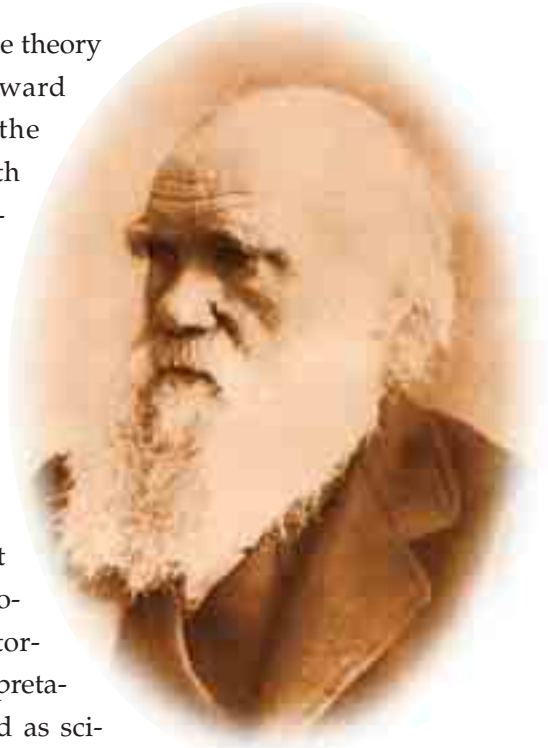


The Collapse of Darwinism



*How Fossils Overturned Evolution:
Millions of Proofs that Refute Darwinism*

Darwinism, in other words the theory of evolution, was put forward with the aim of denying the fact of creation, but is in truth nothing but failed, unscientific nonsense. This theory, which claims that life emerged by chance from inanimate matter, was invalidated by the scientific evidence of clear "design" in the universe and in living things. In this way, science confirmed the fact that God created the universe and the living things in it. The propaganda carried out today in order to keep the theory of evolution alive is based solely on the distortion of the scientific facts, biased interpretation, and lies and falsehoods disguised as science.



Charles Darwin

Yet this propaganda cannot conceal the truth. The fact that the theory of evolution is the greatest deception in the history of science has been expressed more and more in the scientific world over the last 20-30 years. Research carried out after the 1980s in particular has revealed that the claims of Darwinism are totally unfounded, something that has been stated by a large number of scientists. In the United States in particular, many scientists from such different fields as biology, biochemistry and paleontology recognize the invalidity of Darwinism and employ the fact of creation to account for the origin of life.

We have examined the collapse of the theory of evolution and the proofs of creation in great scientific detail in many of our works, and are still continuing to do so. Given the enormous importance of this subject, it will be of great benefit to summarize it here.

The Scientific Collapse of Darwinism

Although this doctrine goes back as far as ancient Greece, the theory of evolution was advanced extensively in the nineteenth century. The most important development that made it the top topic of the world of science was Charles Darwin's *The Origin of Species*, published in 1859. In this book, he denied that God created different living species on Earth separately, for he claimed that all living beings had a common ancestor and had diversified over time through small changes. Darwin's theory was not based on any concrete scientific finding; as he also accepted, it was just an "assumption." Moreover, as Darwin confessed in the long chapter of his book titled "Difficulties on Theory," the theory failed in the face of many critical questions.

Darwin invested all of his hopes in new scientific discoveries, which he expected to solve these difficulties. However, contrary to his expectations, scientific findings expanded the dimensions of these difficulties. The defeat of Darwinism in the face of science can be reviewed under three basic topics:

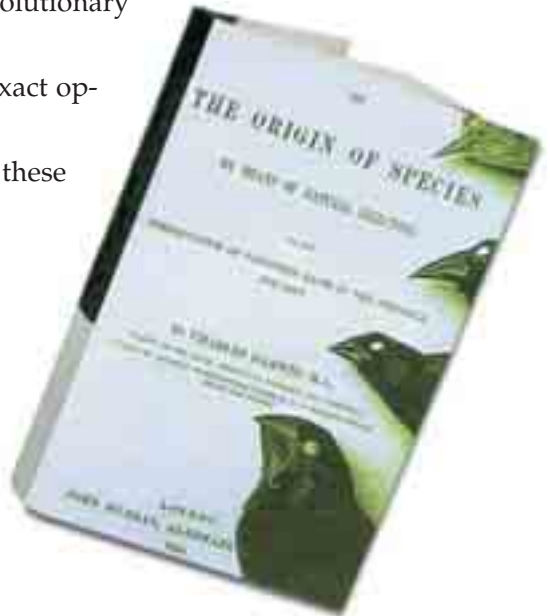
- 1) The theory cannot explain how life originated on Earth.
- 2) No scientific finding shows that the "evolutionary mechanisms" proposed by the theory have any evolutionary power at all.
- 3) The fossil record proves the exact opposite of what the theory suggests.

In this section, we will examine these three basic points in general outlines:

The First Insurmountable

Step: The Origin of Life

The theory of evolution posits that all living species evolved from a single living cell that



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emerged on the primitive Earth 3.8 billion years ago. How a single cell could generate millions of complex living species and, if such an evolution really occurred, why traces of it cannot be observed in the fossil record are some of the questions that the theory cannot answer. However, first and foremost, we need to ask: How did this "first cell" originate?

Since the theory of evolution denies creation and any kind of supernatural intervention, it maintains that the "first cell" originated coincidentally within the laws of nature, without any design, plan or arrangement. According to the theory, inanimate matter must have produced a living cell as a result of coincidences. Such a claim, however, is inconsistent with the most unassailable rules of biology.

"Life Comes From Life"

In his book, Darwin never referred to the origin of life. The primitive understanding of science in his time rested on the assumption that living beings had a very simple structure. Since medieval times, spontaneous



In Darwin's time nothing was known about the complex structure of the cell.

generation, which asserts that non-living materials came together to form living organisms, had been widely accepted. It was commonly believed that insects came into being from food leftovers, and mice from wheat. Interesting experiments were conducted to prove this theory. Some wheat was placed on a dirty piece of cloth, and it was believed that mice would originate from it after a while.



Louis Pasteur

Similarly, maggots developing in rotting meat was assumed to be evidence of spontaneous generation. However, it was later understood that worms did not appear on meat spontaneously, but were carried there by flies in the form of larvae, invisible to the naked eye.

Even when Darwin wrote *The Origin of Species*, the belief that bacteria could come into existence from non-living matter was widely accepted in the world of science.

However, five years after the publication of Darwin's book, Louis Pasteur announced his results after long studies and experiments, that disproved spontaneous generation, a cornerstone of Darwin's theory. In his triumphal lecture at the Sorbonne in 1864, Pasteur said: "Never will the doctrine of spontaneous generation recover from the mortal blow struck by this simple experiment."⁴¹

For a long time, advocates of the theory of evolution resisted these findings. However, as the development of science unraveled the complex structure of the cell of a living being, the idea that life could come into being coincidentally faced an even greater impasse.

Inconclusive Efforts of the Twentieth Century

The first evolutionist who took up the subject of the origin of life in the twentieth century was the renowned Russian biologist Alexander

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Oparin. With various theses he advanced in the 1930s, he tried to prove that a living cell could originate by coincidence. These studies, however, were doomed to failure, and Oparin had to make the following confession:

Unfortunately, however, the problem of the origin of the cell is perhaps the most obscure point in the whole study of the evolution of organisms.⁴²

Evolutionist followers of Oparin tried to carry out experiments to solve this problem. The best known experiment was carried out by the American chemist Stanley Miller in 1953.

Combining the gases he alleged to have existed in the primordial Earth's atmosphere in an experiment set-up, and adding energy to the mixture, Miller synthesized several organic molecules (amino acids) present in the structure of proteins.

Barely a few years had passed before it was revealed that this experiment, which was then presented as an important step in the name of evolution, was invalid, for the atmosphere used in the experiment was very different from the real Earth conditions.⁴³

After a long silence, Miller confessed that the atmosphere medium he used was unrealistic.⁴⁴

All the evolutionists' efforts throughout the twentieth century to explain the origin of life ended in failure. The geochemist Jeffrey Bada, from the San Diego Scripps Institute accepts this fact in an article published in *Earth* magazine in 1998:

Today as we leave the twentieth century, we still face the biggest unsolved problem that we had when we entered the twentieth century: How did life originate on Earth?⁴⁵



Alexander Oparin

The Complex Structure of Life

The primary reason why the theory of evolution ended up in such a great impasse regarding the origin of life is that even those living organ-

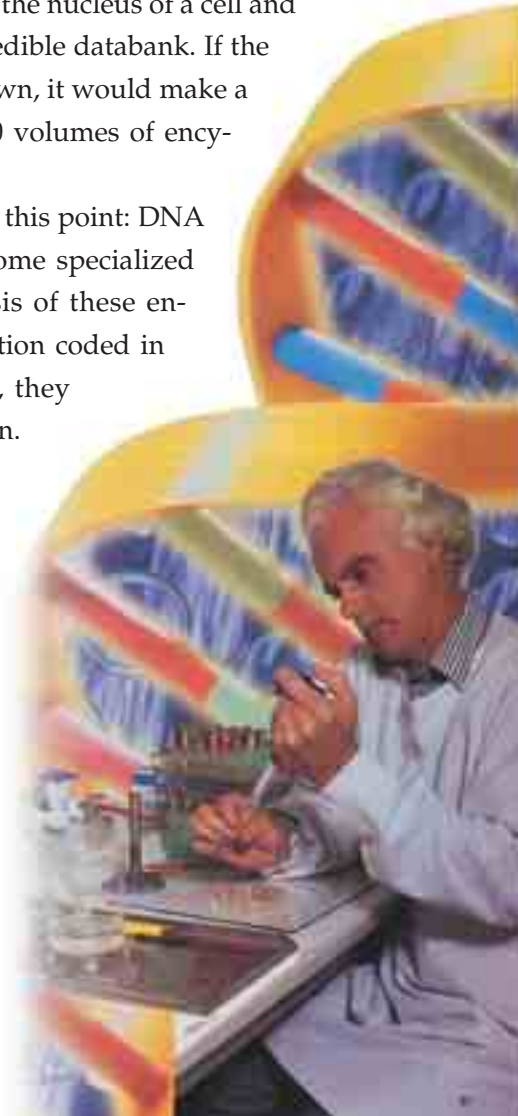
isms deemed to be the simplest have incredibly complex structures. The cell of a living thing is more complex than all of our man-made technological products. Today, even in the most developed laboratories of the world, a living cell cannot be produced by bringing organic chemicals together.

The conditions required for the formation of a cell are too great in quantity to be explained away by coincidences. The probability of proteins, the building blocks of a cell, being synthesized coincidentally, is 1 in 10^{950} for an average protein made up of 500 amino acids. In mathematics, a probability smaller than 1 over 10^{50} is considered to be impossible in practical terms.

The DNA molecule, which is located in the nucleus of a cell and which stores genetic information, is an incredible databank. If the information coded in DNA were written down, it would make a giant library consisting of an estimated 900 volumes of encyclopedias consisting of 500 pages each.

A very interesting dilemma emerges at this point: DNA can replicate itself only with the help of some specialized proteins (enzymes). However, the synthesis of these enzymes can be realized only by the information coded in DNA. As they both depend on each other, they have to exist at the same time for replication. This brings the scenario that life originated by itself to a deadlock. Prof. Leslie Orgel, an evolutionist of repute from the University of San Diego, California, confesses this fact in the September 1994 issue of the *Scientific American* magazine:

It is extremely improbable that proteins and nucleic acids, both of which are structurally complex, arose spontaneous-



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ly in the same place at the same time. Yet it also seems impossible to have one without the other. And so, at first glance, one might have to conclude that life could never, in fact, have originated by chemical means.⁴⁶

No doubt, if it is impossible for life to have originated from natural causes, then it has to be accepted that life was "created" in a supernatural way. This fact explicitly invalidates the theory of evolution, whose main purpose is to deny creation.

Imaginary Mechanism of Evolution

The second important point that negates Darwin's theory is that both concepts put forward by the theory as "evolutionary mechanisms" were understood to have, in reality, no evolutionary power.

Darwin based his evolution allegation entirely on the mechanism of "natural selection." The importance he placed on this mechanism was evident in the name of his book: *The Origin of Species, By Means of Natural Selection...*

Natural selection holds that those living things that are stronger and more suited to the natural conditions of their habitats will survive in the struggle for life. For example, in a deer herd under the threat of attack by wild animals, those that can run faster will survive. Therefore, the deer herd will be comprised of faster and stronger individuals. However, unquestionably, this mechanism will not cause deer to evolve and transform themselves into another living species, for instance, horses.

Therefore, the mechanism of natural selection has no evolutionary power. Darwin was also aware of this fact and had to state this in his book *The Origin of Species*:

Natural selection can do nothing until favourable individual differences or variations occur.⁴⁷

Camarck's Impact

So, how could these "favorable variations" occur? Darwin tried to an-

swer this question from the standpoint of the primitive understanding of science at that time. According to the French biologist Chevalier de Lamarck (1744-1829), who lived before Darwin, living creatures passed on the traits they acquired during their lifetime to the next generation. He asserted that these traits, which accumulated from one generation to another, caused new species to be formed. For instance, he claimed that giraffes evolved from antelopes; as they struggled to eat the leaves of high trees, their necks were extended from generation to generation.



Gregor Mendel

Darwin also gave similar examples. In his book *The Origin of Species*, for instance, he said that some bears going into water to find food transformed themselves into whales over time.⁴⁸

However, the laws of inheritance discovered by Gregor Mendel (1822-84) and verified by the science of genetics, which flourished in the twentieth century, utterly demolished the legend that acquired traits were passed on to subsequent generations. Thus, natural selection fell out of favor as an evolutionary mechanism.

Neo-Darwinism and Mutations

In order to find a solution, Darwinists advanced the "Modern Synthetic Theory," or as it is more commonly known, Neo-Darwinism, at the end of the 1930s. Neo-Darwinism added mutations, which are distortions formed in the genes of living beings due to such external factors as radiation or replication errors, as the "cause of favorable variations" in addition to natural mutation.

Today, the model that stands for evolution in the world is Neo-Darwinism. The theory maintains that millions of living beings formed as a result of a process whereby numerous complex organs of these organisms (e.g., ears, eyes, lungs, and wings) underwent "mutations," that is, ge-

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netic disorders. Yet, there is an outright scientific fact that totally undermines this theory: Mutations do not cause living beings to develop; on the contrary, they are always harmful.

The reason for this is very simple: DNA has a very complex structure, and random effects can only harm it. The American geneticist B. G. Ranganathan explains this as follows:

First, genuine mutations are very rare in nature. Secondly, most mutations are harmful since they are random, rather than orderly changes in the structure of genes; any random change in a highly ordered system will be for the worse, not for the better. For example, if an earthquake were to shake a highly ordered structure such as a building, there would be a random change in the framework of the building which, in all probability, would not be an improvement.⁴⁹

Not surprisingly, no mutation example, which is useful, that is, which is observed to develop the genetic code, has been observed so far. All mutations have proved to be harmful. It was understood that mutation, which is presented as an "evolutionary mechanism," is actually a genetic occurrence that harms living things, and leaves them disabled. (The most common effect of mutation on human beings is cancer.) Of course, a destructive mechanism cannot be an "evolutionary mechanism." Natural selection, on the other hand, "can do nothing by itself," as Darwin also accepted. This fact shows us that there is no "evolutionary mechanism" in nature. Since no evolutionary mechanism exists, no such any imaginary process called "evolution" could have taken place.



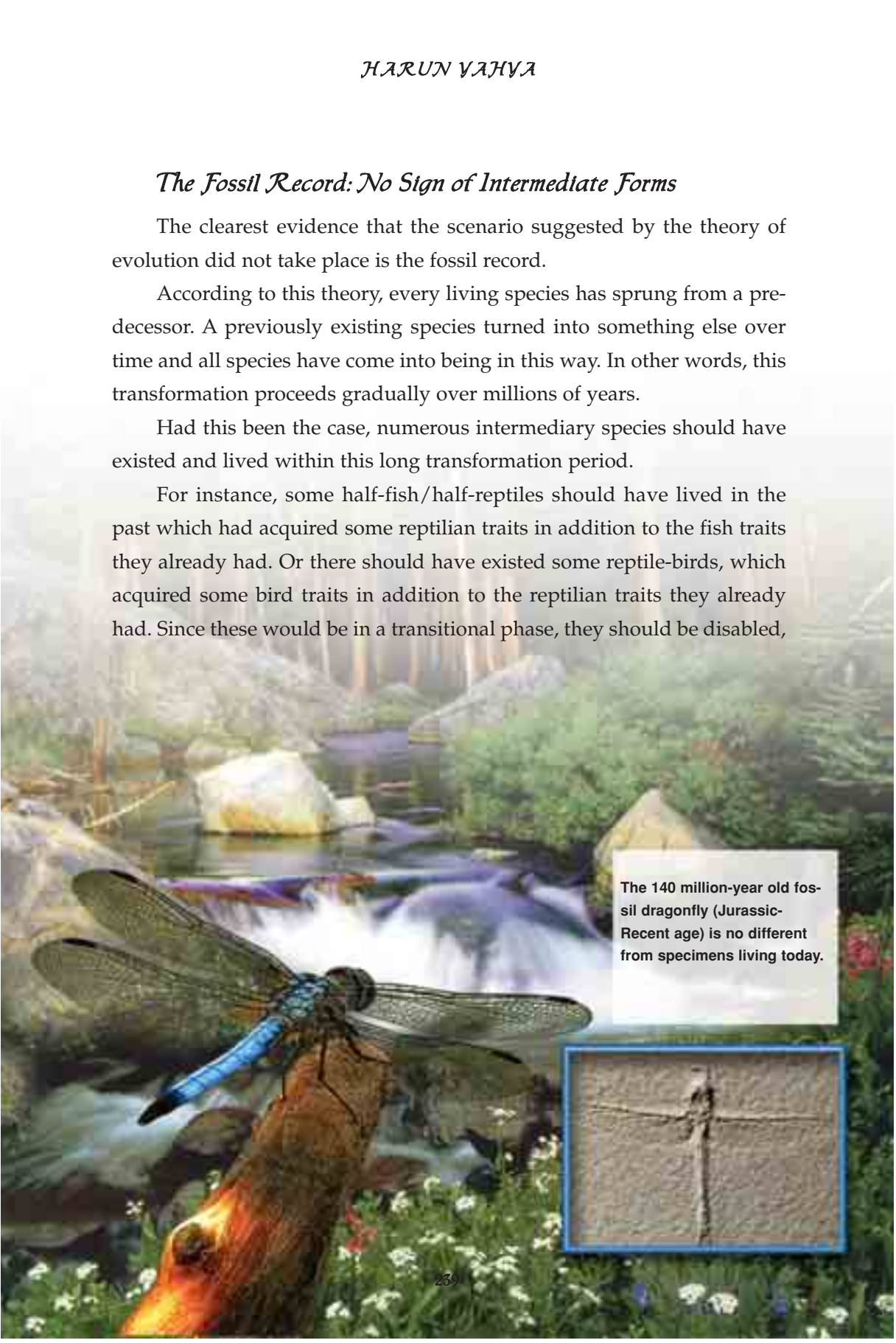
The Fossil Record: No Sign of Intermediate Forms

The clearest evidence that the scenario suggested by the theory of evolution did not take place is the fossil record.

According to this theory, every living species has sprung from a predecessor. A previously existing species turned into something else over time and all species have come into being in this way. In other words, this transformation proceeds gradually over millions of years.

Had this been the case, numerous intermediary species should have existed and lived within this long transformation period.

For instance, some half-fish/half-reptiles should have lived in the past which had acquired some reptilian traits in addition to the fish traits they already had. Or there should have existed some reptile-birds, which acquired some bird traits in addition to the reptilian traits they already had. Since these would be in a transitional phase, they should be disabled,

A large, detailed illustration of a dragonfly with a blue body and transparent wings, perched on a log in a stream. The background shows a lush, green landscape with a waterfall and various plants.

The 140 million-year old fossil dragonfly (Jurassic-Recent age) is no different from specimens living today.



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defective, crippled living beings. Evolutionists refer to these imaginary creatures, which they believe to have lived in the past, as "transitional forms."

If such animals ever really existed, there should be millions and even billions of them in number and variety. More importantly, the remains of these strange creatures should be present in the fossil record. In *The Origin of Species*, Darwin explained:

If my theory be true, numberless intermediate varieties, linking most closely all of the species of the same group together must assuredly have existed... Consequently, evidence of their former existence could be found only amongst fossil remains.⁵⁰

Darwin's Hopes Shattered

However, although evolutionists have been making strenuous efforts to find fossils since the middle of the nineteenth century all over the world, no transitional forms have yet been uncovered. All of the fossils, contrary to the evolutionists' expectations, show that life appeared on Earth all of a sudden and fully-formed.

One famous British paleontologist, Derek V. Ager, admits this fact, even though he is an evolutionist:

The point emerges that if we examine the fossil record in detail, whether at the level of orders or of species, we find - over and over again - not gradual evolution, but the sudden explosion of one group at the expense of another.⁵¹

This means that in the fossil record, all living species suddenly emerge as fully formed, without any intermediate forms in between. This is just the opposite of Darwin's assumptions. Also, this is very strong evidence that all living things are created. The only explanation of a living species emerging suddenly and complete in every detail without any evolutionary ancestor is that it was created. This fact is admitted also by the widely known evolutionist biologist Douglas Futuyma:

Creation and evolution, between them, exhaust the possible explanations for the origin of living things. Organisms either appeared on the earth fully developed or they did not. If they did not, they must have developed from pre-

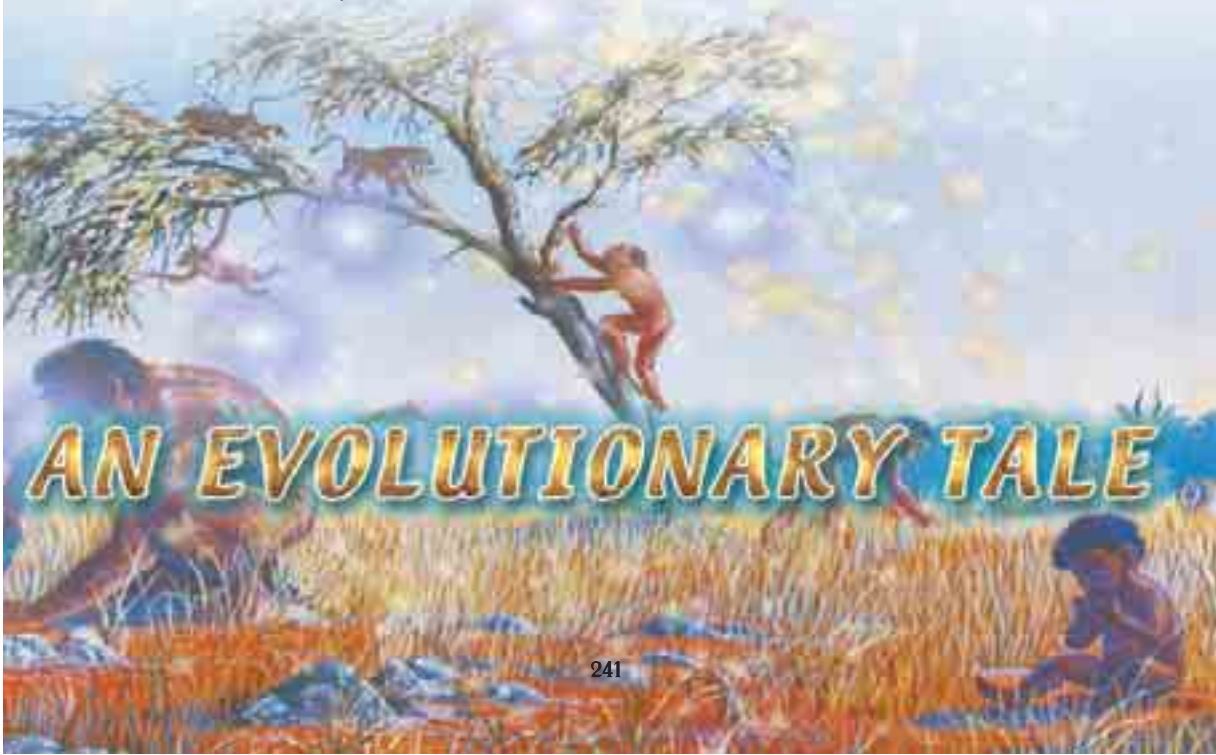
existing species by some process of modification. If they did appear in a fully developed state, they must indeed have been created by some omnipotent intelligence.⁵²

Fossils show that living beings emerged fully developed and in a perfect state on the Earth. That means that "the origin of species," contrary to Darwin's supposition, is not evolution, but creation.

The Tale of Human Evolution

The subject most often brought up by advocates of the theory of evolution is the subject of the origin of man. The Darwinist claim holds that modern man evolved from ape-like creatures. During this alleged evolutionary process, which is supposed to have started 4-5 million years ago, some "transitional forms" between modern man and his ancestors are supposed to have existed. According to this completely imaginary scenario, four basic "categories" are listed:

1. *Australopithecus*
2. *Homo habilis*
3. *Homo erectus*
4. *Homo sapiens*



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Evolutionists call man's so-called first ape-like ancestors *Australopithecus*, which means "South African ape." These living beings are actually nothing but an old ape species that has become extinct. Extensive research done on various *Australopithecus* specimens by two world famous anatomists from England and the USA, namely, Lord Solly Zuckerman and Prof. Charles Oxnard, shows that these apes belonged to an ordinary ape species that became extinct and bore no resemblance to humans.⁵³

Evolutionists classify the next stage of human evolution as "homo," that is "man." According to their claim, the living beings in the Homo series are more developed than *Australopithecus*. Evolutionists devise a fanciful evolution scheme by arranging different fossils of these creatures in a particular order. This scheme is imaginary because it has never been proved that there is an evolutionary relation between these different classes. Ernst Mayr, one of the twentieth century's most important evolutionists, contends in his book *One Long Argument* that "particularly historical [puzzles] such as the origin of life or of *Homo sapiens*, are extremely difficult and may even resist a final, satisfying explanation."⁵⁴

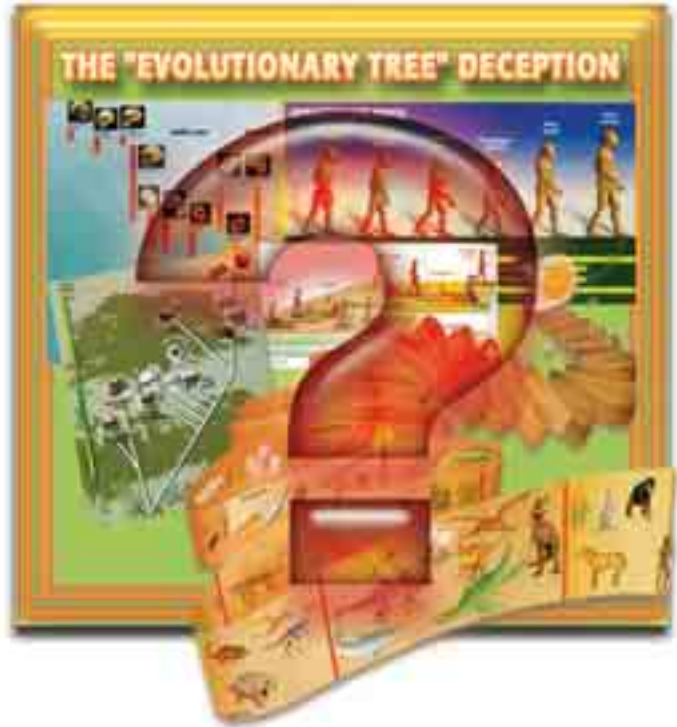
By outlining the link chain as *Australopithecus* > *Homo habilis* > *Homo erectus* > *Homo sapiens*, evolutionists imply that each of these species is one another's ancestor. However, recent findings of paleoanthropologists have revealed that *Australopithecus*, *Homo habilis*, and *Homo erectus* lived at different parts of the world at the same time.⁵⁵

Moreover, a certain segment of humans classified as *Homo erectus* have lived up until very modern times. *Homo sapiens neandarthalensis* and *Homo sapiens sapiens* (modern man) co-existed in the same region.⁵⁶

This situation apparently indicates the invalidity of the claim that they are ancestors of one another. Stephen Jay Gould explained this deadlock of the theory of evolution although he was himself one of the leading advocates of evolution in the twentieth century:

What has become of our ladder if there are three coexisting lineages of hominids (*A. africanus*, the robust australopithecines, and *H. habilis*), none clearly derived from another? Moreover, none of the three display any evolutionary trends during their tenure on earth.⁵⁷

Evolutionists seek to establish a fictitious evolutionary tree by using extinct species of ape and certain human races. However, the scientific evidence allows them no opportunity of doing so.



Put briefly, the scenario of human evolution, which is "upheld" with the help of various drawings of some "half ape, half human" creatures appearing in the media and course books, that is, frankly, by means of propaganda, is nothing but a tale with no scientific foundation.

Lord Solly Zuckerman, one of the most famous and respected scientists in the U.K., who carried out research on this subject for years and studied *Australopithecus* fossils for 15 years, finally concluded, despite being an evolutionist himself, that there is, in fact, no such family tree branching out from ape-like creatures to man.

Zuckerman also made an interesting "spectrum of science" ranging from those he considered scientific to those he considered unscientific. According to Zuckerman's spectrum, the most "scientific"-that is, depending on concrete data-fields of science are chemistry and physics. After them come the biological sciences and then the social sciences. At the far end of the spectrum, which is the part considered to be most "unscientific," are "extra-sensory perception"-concepts such as telepathy and sixth sense-and finally "human evolution." Zuckerman explains his reasoning:

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We then move right off the register of objective truth into those fields of presumed biological science, like extrasensory perception or the interpretation of man's fossil history, where to the faithful [evolutionist] anything is possible - and where the ardent believer [in evolution] is sometimes able to believe several contradictory things at the same time.⁵⁸

The tale of human evolution boils down to nothing but the prejudiced interpretations of some fossils unearthed by certain people, who blindly adhere to their theory.

Darwinian Formula!

Besides all the technical evidence we have dealt with so far, let us now for once, examine what kind of a superstition the evolutionists have with an example so simple as to be understood even by children:

The theory of evolution asserts that life is formed by chance. According to this claim, lifeless and unconscious atoms came together to form the cell and then they somehow formed other living things, including man. Let us think about that. When we bring together the elements that are the building-blocks of life such as carbon, phosphorus, nitrogen and potassium, only a heap is formed. No matter what treatments it undergoes, this atomic heap cannot form even a single living being. If you like, let us formulate an "experiment" on this subject and let us examine on the behalf of evolutionists what they really claim without pronouncing loudly under the name "Darwinian formula":

Let evolutionists put plenty of materials present in the composition of living things such as phosphorus, nitrogen, carbon, oxygen, iron, and magnesium into big barrels. Moreover, let them add in these barrels any material that does not exist under normal conditions, but they think as necessary. Let them add in this mixture as many amino acids and as many proteins-a single one of which has a formation probability of 10-950-as they like. Let them expose these mixtures to as much heat and moisture as they like. Let them stir these with whatever technologically developed device they like. Let them put the foremost scientists beside these barrels. Let these experts wait in turn beside these barrels for billions, and even tril-

lions of years. Let them be free to use all kinds of conditions they believe to be necessary for a human's formation. No matter what they do, they cannot produce from these barrels a human, say a professor that examines his cell structure under the electron microscope. They cannot produce giraffes, lions, bees, canaries, horses, dolphins, roses, orchids, lilies, carnations, bananas, oranges, apples, dates, tomatoes, melons, watermelons, figs, olives, grapes, peaches, peafowls, pheasants, multicoloured butterflies, or millions of other living beings such as these. Indeed, they could not obtain even a single cell of any one of them.

Briefly, unconscious atoms cannot form the cell by coming together. They cannot take a new decision and divide this cell into two, then take other decisions and create the professors who first invent the electron microscope and then examine their own cell structure under that microscope. Matter is an unconscious, lifeless heap, and it comes to life with God's superior creation.

The theory of evolution, which claims the opposite, is a total fallacy completely contrary to reason. Thinking even a little bit on the claims of evolutionists discloses this reality, just as in the above example.

Technology in the Eye and the Ear

Another subject that remains unanswered by evolutionary theory is the excellent quality of perception in the eye and the ear.

Before passing on to the subject of the eye, let us briefly answer the question of how we see. Light rays coming from an object fall oppositely on the eye's retina. Here, these light rays are transmitted into electric signals by cells and reach a tiny spot at the back of the brain, the "center of vision." These electric signals are perceived in this center as an image after a series of processes. With this technical background, let us do some thinking.

The brain is insulated from light. That means that its inside is completely dark, and that no light reaches the place where it is located. Thus, the "center of vision" is never touched by light and may even be the darkest place you have ever known. However, you observe a luminous, bright

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world in this pitch darkness.

The image formed in the eye is so sharp and distinct that even the technology of the twentieth century has not been able to attain it. For instance, look at the book you are reading, your hands with which you are holding it, and then lift your head and look around you. Have you ever seen such a sharp and distinct image as this one at any other place? Even the most developed television screen produced by the greatest television producer in the world cannot provide such a sharp image for you. This is a three-dimensional, colored, and extremely sharp image. For more than 100 years, thousands of engineers have been trying to achieve this sharpness. Factories, huge premises were established, much research has been done, plans and designs have been made for this purpose. Again, look at a TV screen and the book you hold in your hands. You will see that there is a big difference in sharpness and distinction. Moreover, the TV screen shows you a two-dimensional image, whereas with your eyes, you watch a three-dimensional perspective with depth.

For many years, tens of thousands of engineers have tried to make a three-dimensional TV and achieve the vision quality of the eye. Yes, they have made a three-dimensional television system, but it is not possible to watch it without putting on special 3-D glasses; moreover, it is only an artificial three-dimension. The background is more blurred, the foreground appears like a paper setting. Never has it been possible to produce a sharp and distinct vision like that of the eye. In both the camera and the television, there is a loss of image quality.

Evolutionists claim that the mechanism producing this sharp and distinct image has been formed by chance. Now, if somebody told you that the television in your room was formed as a result of chance, that all of its atoms just happened to come together and make up this device that produces an image, what would you think? How can atoms do what thousands of people cannot?

If a device producing a more primitive image than the eye could not have been formed by chance, then it is very evident that the eye and the image seen by the eye could not have been formed by chance. The same situation applies to the ear. The outer ear picks up the available sounds by



Compared to cameras and sound recording devices, the eye and ear are much more complex, much more successful and possess far superior features to these products of high technology.

the auricle and directs them to the middle ear, the middle ear transmits the sound vibrations by intensifying them, and the inner ear sends these vibrations to the brain by translating them into electric signals. Just as with the eye, the act of hearing finalizes in the center of hearing in the brain.

The situation in the eye is also true for the ear. That is, the brain is insulated from sound just as it is from light. It does not let any sound in. Therefore, no matter how noisy is the outside, the inside of the brain is completely silent. Nevertheless, the sharpest sounds are perceived in the brain. In your completely silent brain, you listen to symphonies, and hear all of the noises in a crowded place. However, were the sound level in your brain measured by a precise device at that moment, complete silence would be found to be prevailing there.

As is the case with imagery, decades of effort have been spent in trying to generate and reproduce sound that is faithful to the original. The results of these efforts are sound recorders, high-fidelity systems, and systems for sensing sound. Despite all of this technology and the thousands of engineers and experts who have been working on this endeavor, no sound has yet been obtained that has the same sharpness and clarity as the sound perceived by the ear. Think of the highest-quality hi-fi systems produced by the largest company in the music industry. Even in these devices, when sound is recorded some of it is lost; or when you turn on a hi-fi you always hear a hissing sound before the music starts. However, the sounds that are the products of the human body's technology are extremely sharp

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and clear. A human ear never perceives a sound accompanied by a hissing sound or with atmospherics as does a hi-fi; rather, it perceives sound exactly as it is, sharp and clear. This is the way it has been since the creation of man.

So far, no man-made visual or recording apparatus has been as sensitive and successful in perceiving sensory data as are the eye and the ear. However, as far as seeing and hearing are concerned, a far greater truth lies beyond all this.

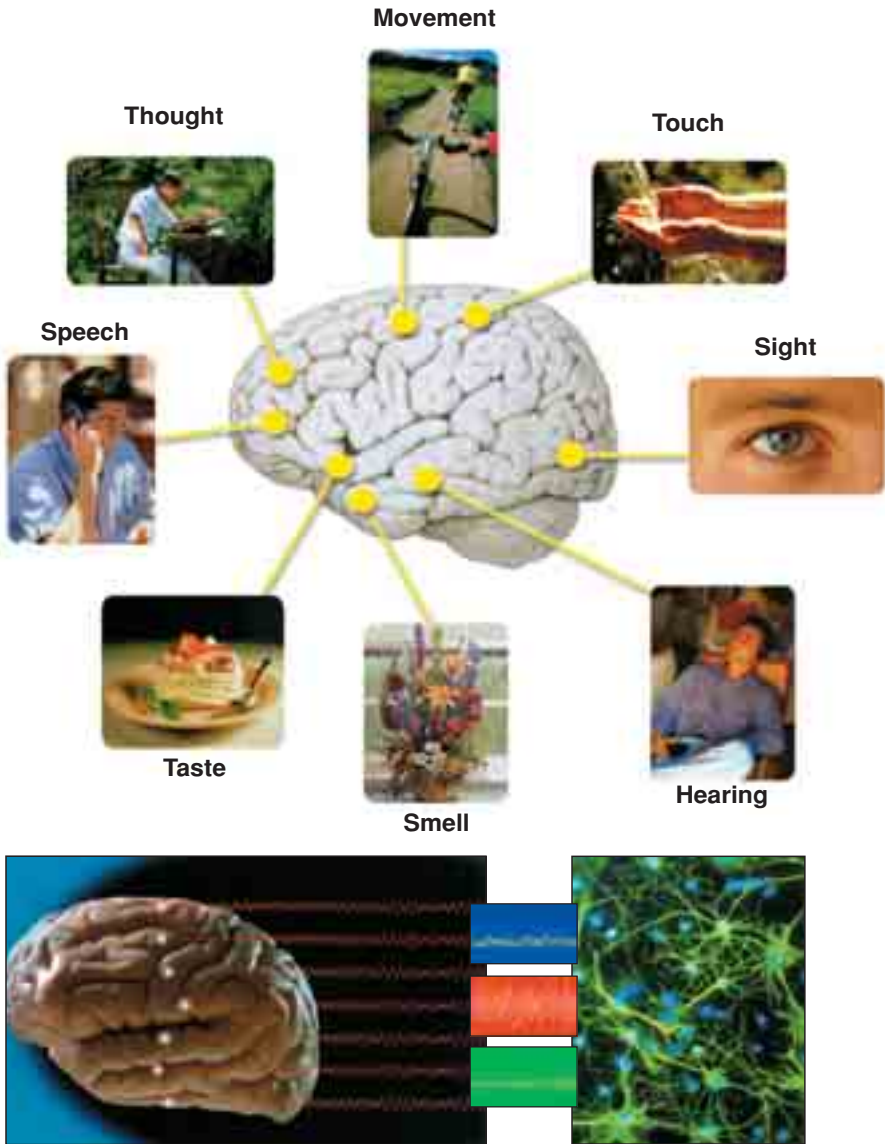
*To Whom Does the Consciousness that Sees and Hears
within the Brain Belong?*

Who watches an alluring world in the brain, listens to symphonies and the twittering of birds, and smells the rose?

The stimulations coming from a person's eyes, ears, and nose travel to the brain as electro-chemical nerve impulses. In biology, physiology, and biochemistry books, you can find many details about how this image forms in the brain. However, you will never come across the most important fact: Who perceives these electro-chemical nerve impulses as images, sounds, odors, and sensory events in the brain? There is a consciousness in the brain that perceives all this without feeling any need for an eye, an ear, and a nose. To whom does this consciousness belong? Of course it does not belong to the nerves, the fat layer, and neurons comprising the brain. This is why Darwinist-materialists, who believe that everything is comprised of matter, cannot answer these questions.

For this consciousness is the spirit created by God, which needs neither the eye to watch the images nor the ear to hear the sounds. Furthermore, it does not need the brain to think.

Everyone who reads this explicit and scientific fact should ponder on Almighty God, and fear and seek refuge in Him, for He squeezes the entire universe in a pitch-dark place of a few cubic centimeters in a three-dimensional, colored, shadowy, and luminous form.



We live our whole life in our brains. People we see, flowers we smell, music we hear, fruit we taste, the moisture we feel with our hands—all these are impressions that become "reality" in the brain. But no colors, voices or pictures exist there. We live in an environment of electrical impulses. This is no theory, but the scientific explanation of how we perceive the outside world.

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A Materialist Faith

The information we have presented so far shows us that the theory of evolution is incompatible with scientific findings. The theory's claim regarding the origin of life is inconsistent with science, the evolutionary mechanisms it proposes have no evolutionary power, and fossils demonstrate that the required intermediate forms have never existed. So, it certainly follows that the theory of evolution should be pushed aside as an unscientific idea. This is how many ideas, such as the Earth-centered universe model, have been taken out of the agenda of science throughout history.

However, the theory of evolution is kept on the agenda of science. Some people even try to represent criticisms directed against it as an "attack on science." Why?

The reason is that this theory is an indispensable dogmatic belief for some circles. These circles are blindly devoted to materialist philosophy and adopt Darwinism because it is the only materialist explanation that can be put forward to explain the workings of nature.

Interestingly enough, they also confess this fact from time to time. A well-known geneticist and an outspoken evolutionist, Richard C. Lewontin from Harvard University, confesses that he is "first and foremost a materialist and then a scientist":

It is not that the methods and institutions of science somehow compel us accept a material explanation of the phenomenal world, but, on the contrary, that we are forced by our a priori adherence to material causes to create an apparatus of investigation and a set of concepts that produce material explanations, no matter how counter-intuitive, no matter how mystifying to the uninitiated. Moreover, that materialism is absolute, so we cannot allow a Divine Foot in the door.⁵⁹

These are explicit statements that Darwinism is a dogma kept alive just for the sake of adherence to materialism. This dogma maintains that there is no being save matter. Therefore, it argues that inanimate, unconscious matter created life. It insists that millions of different living species

(e.g., birds, fish, giraffes, tigers, insects, trees, flowers, whales, and human beings) originated as a result of the interactions between matter such as pouring rain, lightning flashes, and so on, out of inanimate matter. This is a precept contrary both to reason and science. Yet Darwinists continue to defend it just so as "not to allow a Divine Foot in the door."

Anyone who does not look at the origin of living beings with a materialist prejudice will see this evident truth: All living beings are works of a Creator, Who is All-Powerful, All-Wise, and All-Knowing. This Creator is God, Who created the whole universe from non-existence, designed it in the most perfect form, and fashioned all living beings.

The Theory of Evolution: The Most Potent Spell in the World

Anyone free of prejudice and the influence of any particular ideology, who uses only his or her reason and logic, will clearly understand that belief in the theory of evolution, which brings to mind the superstitions of societies with no knowledge of science or civilization, is quite impossible.

As explained above, those who believe in the theory of evolution think that a few atoms and molecules thrown into a huge vat could produce thinking, reasoning professors and university students; such scientists as Einstein and Galileo; such artists as Humphrey Bogart, Frank Sinatra and Luciano Pavarotti; as well as antelopes, lemon trees, and carnations. Moreover, as the scientists and professors who believe in this nonsense are educated people, it is quite justifiable to speak of this theory as "the most potent spell in history." Never before has any other belief or idea so taken away peoples' powers of reason, refused to allow them to think intelligently and logically, and hidden the truth from them as if they had been blindfolded. This is an even worse and unbelievable blindness than the Egyptians worshipping the Sun God Ra, totem worship in some parts of Africa, the people of Saba worshipping the Sun, the tribe of Prophet Abraham (pbuh) worshipping idols they had made with their own hands, or the people of Prophet Moses (pbuh) worshipping the Golden Calf.

In fact, God has pointed to this lack of reason in the Qur'an. In many

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verses, He reveals that some peoples' minds will be closed and that they will be powerless to see the truth. Some of these verses are as follows:

As for those who do not believe, it makes no difference to them whether you warn them or do not warn them, they will not believe. God has sealed up their hearts and hearing and over their eyes is a blindfold. They will have a terrible punishment. (Qur'an, 2:6-7)

... They have hearts with which they do not understand. They have eyes with which they do not see. They have ears with which they do not hear. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (Qur'an, 7:179)

Even if We opened up to them a door into heaven, and they spent the day ascending through it, they would only say: "Our eyesight is befuddled! Or rather we have been put under a spell!" (Qur'an, 15:14-15)

Words cannot express just how astonishing it is that this spell should hold such a wide community in thrall, keep people from the truth, and not be broken for 150 years. It is understandable that one or a few people might believe in impossible scenarios and claims full of stupidity and illogicality. However, "magic" is the only possible explanation for people from all over the world believing that unconscious and lifeless atoms suddenly decided to come together and form a universe that functions with a flawless system of organization, discipline, reason, and consciousness; a planet named Earth with all of its features so perfectly suited to life; and living things full of countless complex systems.

In fact, the Qur'an relates the incident of Prophet Moses (pbuh) and Pharaoh to show that some people who support atheistic philosophies actually influence others by magic. When Pharaoh was told about the true religion, he told Prophet Moses (pbuh) to meet with his own magicians.

When Moses (pbuh) did so, he told them to demonstrate their abilities first. The verses continue:

He said: "You throw." And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. (Qur'an, 7:116)

As we have seen, Pharaoh's magicians were able to deceive everyone, apart from Moses (pbuh) and those who believed in him. However, his evidence broke the spell, or "swallowed up what they had forged," as the verse puts it:

We revealed to Moses: "Throw down your staff." And it immediately swallowed up what they had forged. So the Truth took place and what they did was shown to be false. (Qur'an, 7:117-8)

As we can see, when people realized that a spell had been cast upon them and that what they saw was just an illusion, Pharaoh's magicians lost all credibility. In the present day too, unless those who, under the influence of a similar spell, believe in these ridiculous claims under their scientific disguise and spend their lives defending them, abandon their superstitious beliefs, they also will be humiliated when the full truth emerges and the spell is broken. In fact, world-renowned British writer and philosopher Malcolm Muggeridge, who was an atheist defending evolution for some 60 years, but who subsequently realized the truth, reveals the position in which the theory of evolution would find itself in the near future in these terms:

I myself am convinced that the theory of evolution, especially the extent to which it's been applied, will be one of the great jokes in the history books in the future. Posterity will marvel that so very flimsy and dubious an hypothesis could be accepted with the incredible credulity that it has.⁶⁰

That future is not far off: On the contrary, people will soon see that "chance" is not a deity, and will look back on the theory of evolution as the worst deceit and the most terrible spell in the world. That spell is already rapidly beginning to be lifted from the shoulders of people all over the world. Many people who see its true face are wondering with amazement how they could ever have been taken in by it.

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knowledge except what You
have taught us. You are the
All-Knowing, the All-Wise.
(Qur'an, 2:32)*

